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AUSSIES ATTACK

AUSTRALIA's World Cup squad files out of Sydney for Tel Aviv tomorrow, confident of an away victory against the highly technical Israelis.

BY JOHN ECONOMOS

Israel, not Australia to come forward at home.



JOHN KOSMINA

And here Arok is faced with a monumental problem.

Which midfielder does he drop... Zarko Odzakov, Joe Watson, Oscar Crino or Kenny Murphy?

I can't offer the solution, but the one I most certainly would not drop is Odzakov.

Odzakov is the most mature, experienced, playmaker, possessing a deadly shot and endowed with wonderful vision as well as being a great passer of the ball.

The Sydney Croatia midfielder has the pro

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fessional cunning and explosive creativity so urgently needed in international combat.

The Australian squad that travelled to Auckland in New Zealand two weeks ago has been kept intact with Alan Davidson the only addition.

In fact Arok disclosed that Davidson will be in the first XI.

This gives Australia a more attacking flavour on the surface as Davidson is a forward player, able to find his front men with precision crosses.

But warning must be heeded.

If our midfielders do not support the twin strike-force in the Israeli box, Kosmina and Mitchell will be crucified. This was the case when Australia played New Zealand despite

Mitchell and Kosmina working hard against the battling Kiwi defenders.

Now it has been determined that Scotland will face the winner of Oceania, Arok stated:

"At this stage I am not concerned. First, because I expected the Scots to come second in their group, and second because I am only focusing on Israel right now. Nothing else."

Eleven nations have now qualified for the World Cup Finals in Mexico:

Mexico, Italy, Spain, West Germany, Hungary, Poland, Bulgaria, Canada, Uruguay, Argentina and Brazil.

MELITA MOWS MEADOW!

BY FRANK COLETTA

MELITA EAGLES made amends somewhat for their failure in the NSW State League Premiership by yesterday taking out their first ever Grand Final, 4-0 against a hapless Fairy Meadow.

Melita, as the scoreline suggests, were far and away the better side but as conclusive as the win was, Melita officials and supporters alike made it clear that it was little recompense for missing out on promotion to the NSL.

They had to survive an enormous late revival by the southerners but were able to hold the fort.

Melita opened the scoring after 28 minutes although they could have had a few goals before then.

The goal eventually came and it was that perennial goal-poacher, Barry Walker, who grabbed it. A corner was floated over by Ray Farrugia with Walker and

Ken Wilson challenging the keeper, Warwick Young. Wilson got his head to the ball and Walker scrambled it in.

The score remained intact till half-time, but it was soon increased when Walker scored his second in the 58th minute.

Latching on to a long through ball from O'Rourke, Walker approached the goal-mouth with only the keeper to beat... and as always he finished clinically.

Fairy Meadow lost all chance when their only playmaker, Phil Mow-

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BYRNE LEAVES

BY JOHNNY WARREN

CANBERRA CITY Olympians is to lose its greatest servant.

Utility star Terry Byrne stunned the national capital club with a transfer request at last Thursday's board meeting.

The 27-year-old utility star is moving to Perth with his family later this year to start his own business.

Byrne told the Canberra board he feels the time is right to set himself up in Perth and whilst he would like to play in WA it is not crucial to his moving west.

He has requested a transfer from Canberra obviously in the hope that he would still be able to play.

Byrne, who came to Canberra as an 18-year-old from Preston, England back in 1978, is one of the most popular and talented players to have played in the national capital.

Now fully recovered from the cruciate ligament operation which sidelined him for all of the 1984 season, Byrne would be a tremendous capture for any WA club.

He is equally at home in the defence, midfield or even up front where he scored so many goals for Canberra City.

Byrne's move will be a blow to Canberra as it plans for the 1985 season.



Terry Byrne issues instructions to his team-mates in the game at Blacktown this year.

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SCOTLAND PLAY OCEANIA WINNERS

SCOTLAND will play Australia for a place in the World Cup in Mexico next year — if the Socceroos top the Oceania Group.

Australia, Israel or New Zealand must challenge the runners-up in European Group Seven and Scotland clinched second place in that group following Spain's 2-1 win against Iceland in Seville.

That victory, which was not achieved without heart-burning among the Seville spectators, carried Spain to the top of the group on eight points.

Scotland and Wales share second spot with

seven points but Scotland's better goal difference means the Welshmen are eliminated.

Iceland, the rank outsiders, shocked Spain by going into a 1-0 lead when Tjorboersson opened the scoring 10 minutes before half-time.

Just before the interval, Rincon equalised for the worried Spaniards.

The winning goal, which took Spain to Mexico, went to Rafael Gordillo after 51 minutes.

Had the match been drawn, as seemed likely, Spain would not have qualified.

Instead, Scotland would have been group winners with Wales in second place, so the Welshmen now have time to reflect on how close they were to success.

Wales failed in their Mexico bid when they surprisingly lost to Iceland in Reykjavic some time ago, indeed the Welshmen were the only team to lose a match to bottom team Iceland.

Here are results from last week's World Cup qualifying matches and also the standings of the national teams:—

TURN TO PAGE 5 FOR ALL THE SCORES AND TABLES

The Editor

ASW's staff and management wish to extend their sincerest condolences to the O'Connor family on the tragic death of one of Australia's finest footballers, Phil O'Connor.

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THAT Kevin Fallon doesn't mind making himself heard I can tell you.

The Kiwi coach made some outlandish comments prior to the first World Cup qualifier between Australia and New Zealand in the press and came out afterwards to blast all and sundry.

In ASW's 'sister' paper in New Zealand... **SOCCER EXPRESS**, Fallon dared to jibe: "If you want to see the Aussies bleed, then be at Mt Smart on Saturday!"

The only bleeding Australians did on that day Mr Fallon was from watching our side squander a great chance to take the two points home.

He was not finished there however, after the match he dared to attack Zarko Odzakovic and the whole Australian performance (which admittedly was below par but New Zealand were just as bad!), then he launched a scathing attack on referee, Keith Hackett of England. A completely unfounded complaint.

He claimed in an article on Sunday that Hackett's performance was shown to be 'gutless' when he disallowed a what Fallon considered a 'fair goal'.

On the contrary, to disallow the Kiwis a 'goal' in front of a very partisan crowd of 15,000 was a very courageous act.

When Oz keeper Terry Greedy was penalised for controlling the ball twice with his hands, Enzedder forward Colin Walker took the ball from him and passed to Wynton Rufer who put the ball into the net.

Firstly this so-called 'goal' could not stand because the referee had not blown his whistle for the restart, secondly he was still embroiled in discussion with Greedy and finally Rufer was off-side anyway!

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The All Whites have to be congratulated on one account... the way in which they kept Captain Socceroo, John Kosmina out of the game.

Malcolm Dunford did a super job on 'Koselle' and blotted him out of the game totally, and when assistance was needed skipper, Alan Booth got his bit in.

One thing for sure, New Zealand's **PUBLIC ENEMY NUMBER ONE!** as stated on the front of Soccer Express was well and truly locked up.

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ONCE AGAIN ASW has found itself (happily) heavily involved in the tolls of the Australian Schoolboys.

It is now a well known fact that these fellows are searching (in vain nearly) for up to \$3000 a piece to be able to jet off to the UK and play Wales and England.

Now we all know that at youth level, Australia is pretty much up to par with most other countries and our Schoolboys will be attempting to uphold this status when they leave next January.

Whether or not they are able to make the journey is up to the public, moreover any companies or organisations that are willing to sponsor the side, any amount will be gladly accepted.

Chris James the tour organiser and coach has issued notices to umpire associations, telling of all the benefits any sort of financial backing would result in, but has had little response.

To me it seems ridiculous that Schoolboy reps such as our Rugby Union and Rugby League sides are recognised so widely but as ever the round ball code is given the 'go by'. If (and there should be) there are any interested parties please contact either ASW (680-2033) or Chris James (527 1512).

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THOSE Chinese can really turn it on when they want to.

During the match at St. George stadium it was obvious to all in attendance that skilful and technically, China are a superior outfit to the Aussies... but when it comes down to the nitty gritty of football, that is 'digging in' and sheer physical work Australia storms over China.

It was quite noticeable that when Australia began getting physical China were unable to adapt and accordingly got frustrated and began getting involved in unnecessary skirmishes.

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FOR all the Junior enthusiasts who have been literally 'hounding' ASW all week for some Champion results, please turn to page 5.

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YESTERDAY potentially could have been one of the Canterbury districts finest hours.

Last week Canterbury-Marrickville played in the preliminary final of the NSW State League against Melita Eagles and lost but Canterbury Bankstown won through to their respective Grand Final by overwhelming Parramatta in the Sydney Rugby League final.

The script was written and behold, had the Olympians won, both sides would have been in their respective Grand Finals and the week leading up to the Grand Finals would have been something else.

Unfortunately somebody forgot to give a copy of the script to the Melita side, 4-1 was the scoreline!

ONE WIN WILL EQUAL RECORD FOR UNITED

MANCHESTER UNITED now need only one win - against Luton Town next Saturday - to equal Spurs' record winning run at the start of a season.

In 1961, Spurs won 11 games straight. This year, United have won 10, but they had to struggle to gain victory over one of the poorest teams in the first division, Southampton, at Old Trafford on Saturday.

One goal settled the issue. And it was supplied by the prolific-scoring young Welshman Mark Hughes with only a quarter of an hour to go.

There were 53,000 spectators at the match and they were entertained by a goalkeeping exhibition from Saints Peter Shilton which appeared likely to rob the Manchester men on their win.

Shilton even saved a penalty kick from England skipper Bryan Robson.

While United are dominating the competition, it's obvious Liverpool are going to make them fight all the way.

Liverpool hammered Spurs 4-1 at Anfield and have lost only once in 10 outings; but, despite their great start to the season, the Merseysiders are a hefty nine points behind the

leaders.

While the season has a long way to go, it is difficult to see any other teams worrying the giants from Manchester United and Liverpool.

Chelsea, Newcastle United, Everton, Arsenal and Sheffield Wednesday are all chasing the title but they would not attract bets - other than from their optimistic supporters.

Rangers, looking forward to ending the dominance of Aberdeen and Celtic in Scotland's premier division, have lost the leadership.

Aberdeen beat the Glasgow side comprehensively - and at Ibrox Park - but their 3-0 win was achieved against badly handicapped opponents.

Alex McLeish and Craig Paterson were both sent off, leaving Rangers to finish the match with only nine men.

Celtic travelled to Dens Park to collect a fine 2-0 win against Dundee and now top the table on 12 points, one better than Aberdeen and Rangers.

AUSTRALIA SCRAMBLES

DRAW WITH CHINA

AUSTRALIA's B side managed to scramble to a 1-all draw against the visiting team from China at the St George Stadium, in a match that saw nine yellow cards being issued by referee Gary Power.

BY JOHN ECONOMOS

But six of the cards went to China when I felt that in fact it was the Australians who provided the initial rough stuff thus provoking the Orientals to retaliate.

China hit the lead in the 25th minute when striker Ma Lin scored with a diving header following a tremendous bust down the left flank by Lu Hongxiang.

In the first session, Australia's back-four of Ian Gray, Gary McDowell, Robbie Dunn and Tommy McCulloch was at sixes and sevens as the tricky Chinese repeatedly penetrated deep into the Australian penalty area.

The Australian midfield quartet of Frank Farina, Mike Petersen, Richard Miranda and Paul Wade, were out-classed by their opponents in build-ups.

The twin strike-force of Jimmy Patikas and Graham Arnold lacking quality supply of ball-service, were very quickly shut-down by the Chinese taller defence whenever a stray ball was knocked into them.

In the 37th minute, Australia was awarded a penalty when centre-back Robbie Dunn had

his shirt repeatedly pulled in the box by Ma Lin.

Midfielder, Mike Petersen lifted his blasting shot from the spot that crashed onto the cross-bar.

But late in the second session (76th), Sydney City's powerful flanker, Grant Lee (who six minutes earlier had substituted Frank Farina), busted down the right flank.

Lee whipped in a perfect strong cross to the back-post looking for Arnold.

Arnold didn't disappoint Lee, meeting the cross to score with his head from four metres out.

AUSTRALIA: Banovic (Gibson 45); Gray, McDowell, Dunn, McCulloch; Farina (Lee 70th), Petersen, Miranda, Wade (Kalantzis 53); Patikas (Lane), Arnold.

CHINA: Jianping; Dongding, Xiquan, Sheng, Hongxiang, Huayun, Dong, Jun, Huiliang, Lin, Gunli.

REFEREE: G. Power.

CROWD: 2,793.

GAME 1: AUSTRALIA B, 2

defeated CHINA 0

Goals: Paul Wade, Mike

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AUSTRALIA B line-up:

Banovic (Franken), Gray

(Carter), Dunn, McDowell,

McCulloch, Wade, Petersen,

Miranda (Kalantzis), Farina,

Patikas, Arnold (Lee).

PHIL O'CONNOR IN TRAGIC CAR ACCIDENT

BY DAVID JACK

ONE of Australia's greatest soccer players was tragically killed last week in a motor car accident on the Appin road near Sydney.



Phil O'Connor takes the NSW ASPA Radio Rentals TV award for 'Player of the Year' in 1983.

Phil O'Connor was returning from Wollongong to Blacktown when his vehicle careered off the road and hit a tree.

It was an untimely end to a distinguished career in Australian soccer.

Phil O'Connor came to this country from his native England and settled on the NSW south coast where he played for Safeway United.

In fact, he arrived not long after Adrian Alston was transferred from Safeway to Luton Town in 1974. O'Connor's English club was Luton Town.

While many soccer fans on the south coast were desperately unhappy to see Alston leave, the arrival of O'Connor from Luton certainly eased their grief.

O'Connor was a typical old-fashioned winger, speedy, possessing good ball control, able to cross a ball with great accuracy and pop in a few goals.

His talents could not be restricted to the comparatively unfashionable environment of the Wollongong district and the big Sydney clubs were soon seeking his transfer.

St George snapped him up for a big fee, upsetting Marconi.

whose coach Rale Rasic was convinced the player would be joining the Fairfield club.

Later, Phil played with Apia Leichhardt and Wollongong City in the National League before switching two years ago to Blacktown.

He played more than 20 times for Australia's national team and was always feared by opponents who found him a most difficult attacker to halt.

Only last December, Phil was in the Socceroo squad for the tour of China and Europe and was hoping to help Australia qualify for next year's World Cup in Mexico.

In 1983, O'Connor

was voted NSW "player of the year" by the Australian Soccer Press (ASPA) and as president of that organisation, it was my pleasure to present him with his prize - a colour TV set donated by Radio Rentals.

Phil was most appreciative when he made his speech of acceptance in the Journalists' Club in Sydney.

It is a tragedy that such a pleasant young man and gifted footballer should be taken from us so suddenly.

On behalf of everyone at ASW, may I extend deepest sympathy to Phil's wife and daughter on their sad loss.



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SOCCEROO midfielder **MIKE PETERSEN** is the latest player to be approached by West Adelaide in its quest for stars for next year.

The others include Robbie Dunn, Stuart Stevenson and John Kosmina, plus a handful overseas, where coach Neil McGachey is now trying to sign at least three.

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SOCCEROO **DAVID MITCHELL** may not sign for Adelaide City for next season.

Word is that **RALE RASIC**, now boss of Apia, wants the big front runner.

And he may heed the call, as it was Rasic who gave Mitchell his break at Adelaide City when he signed him as a raw youngster from SA State League club Enfield Victoria.

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The Socceroos have different rules for different teams when it comes to shared hotel accommodation.

Remember all the fuss when the Australian squad discovered they were accommodated in Auckland's Vacation Hotel with the New Zealand players?

The Australian officials threatened to quit the hotel, but thought better of it and decided to stay.

A few days later, Australia and China both booked in at Sydney's Camperdown Travelodge ... with not a word of complaint from anyone.

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TERRY BUTLER, long-serving Apia Leichhardt midfielder, is appreciating a good rest from soccer after being plagued by knee injury worries last season.

Although there has been talk of Butler retiring from the game, the player himself says it is not true.

"I am looking forward to a good 1986 to get the 1985 nightmare season out of my system," said the popular Terry.

This news will please new coach **RALE RASIC** who has the toughest job in football trying to resurrect Apia from the doldrums.

It is no good crying over spilled milk, but the question must be asked ... "why did the club agree to part with players like **PAUL CARTER**, **PETER TREDDINICK**, **IAN GRAY** and **JOHN BRADLEY**?"

It's not surprising Apia flopped last year.



David Mitchell in action for Australia.

NEWCASTLE ROSEBUD goalkeeper **CLINT GOSLING** was in confident mood in Auckland when we asked for his forecast for the NZ v Australia World Cup game.

Said Clint, a Kiwi, "If I'm picked for the match, Australia won't score a goal."

In fact, Gosling was NOT picked. But Australia still didn't score!

PAUL SHILLABEER, the State League Rothmans Medal winner in SA, could be back with Adelaide City next season — if there is a change in coach.

Shillabeer, **ROBBIE ALBERTON** and **PAT DE VITA** were released by **EDMUND KREFT** this year, but if there is a change in bosses there could be a mass return.



Terry Butler, will be back for another season in 1986.

BRETT APPEL, former Marconi player and now a Qantas flight steward, was on hand to give first class service to passengers travelling on the Australian Soccer Weekly's Supporters Tour to Auckland recently.

Brett, who played for Marconi during the Ray Richards era, loaded some of the media members travelling with the group with special little Qantas gifts.

As well, Brett gave the media two large bottles of champagne, courtesy of Qantas. They were to be opened by the Australian Socceroos after the World Cup qualifying match at Mt Smart to celebrate an expected victory.

The match which ended in a scoreless draw saw the champagne bottles remain unopened.

We assure Brett that the bottles will be cracked at Australia's next victory.

Thanks Brett for your wonderful service on board.

NEW ZEALAND is completely sold on British coaches for its national team — and is convinced the Brits are the best in the world.

Present coach **KEVIN FALLON** is apparently Irish but he talks like a Yorkshireman and is to all intents and purposes a Pom.

Before him, the Kiwis had **ALAN JONES**, **JOHN ADSHEAD**, **KEN ARMSTRONG**, **WALLY HUGHES** and **BRIAN TRUEMAN** ... to name a few.

In fact, we believe the only non-British coach they've employed was **LOU BRO-SIC**, a Yugoslavian from Australia many years ago, and he didn't last long.

NZ Football Association chairman, **CHARLIE DEMPSEY**, commented: "We use British coaches because they're tops in the world."

Australia would not agree. The Socceroos are usually handled by coaches from central Europe — **TIKO JELISAVIC**, **JOE VLASITS**, **JOE VENGLOS**, **RALE RASIC**, **TONY BOGGI**, **LES SCHEINFLUG** and incumbent **FRANK AROK**, for instance.

MARSHALL SOPER's problems in sparing time for World Cup training and matches remind us of a similar situation in 1974 when the player involved was **MANFRED SCHAEFER**.

At that time, Manfred had a milk run — and a profitable one.

With hundreds of regular customers to be served, he seriously considered pulling out of the Socceroo squad travelling to West Germany.

When national coach **RALE RASIC** heard about the problem, he had talks with the top brass at the Australian Soccer Federation and a solution was found when another person took over the milk run.

Goalkeeper **JIMMY FRASER** was not so lucky. Just before the Australian team left for Germany, Fraser decided he could not afford to leave his guard dog business and he had to pull out.

JIMMY MILISAVLJEVIC from Melbourne and **ALLAN MAHER** of Marconi went to the World Cup as back-up goalkeepers to first choice **JACK REILLY** — leaving a very disappointed **JIMMY FRASER** at home in Sydney with his dogs.



Jim Fraser back in '74, training his dog 'Gypsy'.

THERE must be a desperate shortage of good full-backs in Australia, judging by recent national team selections.

In the World Cup team, a midfielder, **ZARKO ODZAKOV**, is filling in as a makeshift right-back.

And in the Australian "B" team, TWO midfielders filled the full-back positions against China ... **IAN GRAY** on the right and **TOMMY McCULLOCH** on the left.

Coach of the side, **JOHN MARGARITIS**, was delighted with the way both played and had a special word of praise for McCulloch.

"These days, teams must have good footballers in the full-back positions — because they are not just there to clear the ball upfield," commented Margaritis.

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TOMMY McCULLOCH has planned a drive-yourself tour of New Zealand in December, starting in Auckland and driving south to Christchurch.

Last week, though, he discovered petrol was priced at 95 cents a litre in Kiwiland.

"Maybe it would be cheaper to make it a bus tour instead," said Tommy.

The former Youth Socceroo skipper was surprised about a report in a Sydney newspaper that he was quitting Australia to trial with Rangers in Scotland.

"That's the first I've heard about it," said the puzzled McCulloch.

POPULAR RAUL BLANCO did not attend the NSW State League grand final at Marconi Stadium yesterday ... he was a long way off in his home country, Argentina.

Blanco was hoping his Canterbury team would play in the grand final against Fairy Meadow, but when they were beaten 4-1 by Parramatta Melita in the final, Blanco brought forward the date for his planned trip.

Before leaving, he told us: "I am looking forward to a long holiday with my family in Argentina."

Blanco will probably not return to Australia until after Christmas.

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CRITICISM of referees by coaches and players is frowned on all over the world but this doesn't seem to worry New Zealand's World Cup coach **KEVIN FALLON**.

On the day after the NZ — Australia 0-0 draw in Auckland, Fallon had a column in a local newspaper.

Under the headline "REFEREE ROBS ALL WHITES" Fallon wrote:

"There is no doubt in my mind that we were robbed when the referee didn't allow Winton Rufer's goal to stand. I thought the referee showed a lack of courage in making his decision and to say the ball was not stationary when Walker played it was a limp excuse."

ASW rates Fallon's comments as sour grapes. **KEITH HACKETT**, perhaps England's greatest referee, handled the Auckland game very well.



Zarko Odzakov in action for Preston last season, he is Australia's current right-back.

NOW it's official.

ZORAN MATIC and **BUGS NYSKOHUS** are being considered as challengers to **EDMUND KREFT** for the coaching job at Adelaide City next season.

Matic was a player with City, assistant to **RALE RASIC** at City, then coached State League club Beograd where he was an official this season.

Nyskohus is keen to keep playing as well as coach, and this is where the club may differ with his views.

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SCOTS KNOW A THING OR TWO ABOUT SOCCER!

BY TOM ANDERSON

A magnificent incentive to succeed in the Oceania qualifying group was handed to the Socceroos when Spain beat Iceland to win the European Group 7 of the World Cup.

This now means that the Socceroos - if they win the Oceania group and we all hope this is so - will meet Scotland on a home and away basis in November for a spot in the big one in Old Mexico next year.

And if this happens the Socceroos will head for Glasgow and the one and only Hampden Park - the holiest of holies for Scottish football lovers throughout the world.

Having played on Hampden on many occasions, this is something else.

Wembley of course is also very special - but Hampden is Wembley with atmosphere, noise and a fervour that only can be produced by the highly emotional Scots fans.

Indeed if John Kosmina leads his team on to the hallowed turf of Hampden on Wednesday night November 20 it will be an occasion that Kossie and his teammates will never forget as long as they live.

Sure it will be difficult to beat Graeme Souness and his Tartan Terrors, but in the game of football the unexpected often rears its fickle head.

Hampden is the headquarters of Scottish football.

It is also the home of Scottish amateur club Queens Park.

Always in an important international the stadium is packed out as it will be for the important match against the Oceania winners with a spot in Mexico up for grabs.

Even way back in the 1880's a crowd of 12,000 turned up at Hampden to watch a Scotland v England clash.

The Scottish Football Association was formed in 1873 but the game was played north of the border long before this time.

The game in the land of the kilt and the haggis flourished in the early

days in violent fashion characterised by unpromising battles between neighbouring villages - clan against clan - always with plenty of blood flowing.

It provoked its share of royal disfavour and James I, James II, James III and James IV liberally scattered statutes banning football across the 15th century.

Scottish football however found a supporter in the novelist Sir Walter Scott who loved the inter-village games.

Indeed Scott was one of football's first sponsors and financially backed the most famous of all the 'Dark Ages' games when he put up the money for the Men of Selkirk to play the Men of Yarrow.

When the SFA was formed it was dominated in the early days by Queens Park to be followed by Rangers, Third Lanark and the short-lived Renton club.

In 1985 Renton won

the alleged World Championship against West Brom.

The Scottish Cup was formed in 1873 and won on the first three occasions by Queens Park.

Scottish football in the early days and the Scots introduced the sweet passing game south of the border.

Also Lord Kinnaid one of the first presidents of the English FA was a Scot as was William McGregor the founder of the English Football League.

Later on it was the short-passing, ball-playing Scottish school of football that was taught by British coaches to the countries of Europe - especially Hungary and Austria.

Like England, Scotland was in dispute with FIFA in the 1930's and so did not participate in the World Cup until after the war and then in 1950 they declined to enter as the runners-up in the British International Championship.



Denis Law — one of Scotland's greats.

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Over the years the Scots have produced a glut of world class stars such as Alex James, Alan Morton, Hughie Gallacher, Denis Law, John White, Jim Baxter, Davie Mackay, Gordie Young, Kenny Dalglish and Graeme Souness to name just a few.

The ghosts of a few of these great players still haunt the immortal corridors to this very day.

As will the spirit of the late Big Jock Stein when the two teams do battle on November 20.

Tradition and a tradition second to none is the cornerstone of the game in Scotland.

It is to be hoped that our Socceroos will grace Hampden Park in November on an occasion that would give our national team a real taste of the big-time.

ILLAWARRA JOTTINGS

BY PHIL MURPHY

MIDFIELDER Frank Demertzis had a special reason to celebrate Aris 2-1 grand final win against Bulli — he has been with the club since it was formed 10 years ago.

He was just 14 when Aris started out in the Illawarra business houses league, stayed with them in the second division and helped them win promotion to first division and then premier league.

He was the lone survivor from the early days in a grand final watched by more than 3000 people at Memorial Park.

The game was scoreless after 90 minutes and three minutes into extra time Bill Kotamanidis broke the deadlock with a first-time shot from 20 metres.

Coach Robert Fryer then appeared to seal the game for Aris with number two but Bulli refused to surrender.

Left-back and man of the match Steve Hammersley hammered in a fine goal from 25 metres and Aris then had to withstand a strong finish from the league champions.

The extra time gave the crowd plenty of excitement but they deserved it after an opening 90 minutes which could best be described as dull.

Corrimal won the reserve grade grand final against West-Figtree on a shootout after they had been locked at 2-2.

In under 19's Tarrawanna gained some consolation on missing the championship when they beat Cringila 1-0.

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Terry Hurley has taken on the coaching job with Corrimal but he won't know what league he will be operating in until October 31.

That is the date the ISA decides which teams drop out of premier league and who goes up.

Corrimal are rated a chance of relegation after finishing second-last but the league is an "invitation only" affair.

The association certainly won't be keen to lose Corrimal's home ground, Memorial Park, to the premier league.

Hurley came to Australia from England to play with Safeway United and later starred with the powerful Figtree side of the 70's.

He was assistant coach to Adrian Alston with Wollongong City in 1984 and is looking forward to the challenge with Corrimal.

He seems certain to have some new material to work with as Corrimal's committee have decided to put some of their money into new playing staff.

"We have been concentrating our efforts into developing our ground but now it is a case of building a reasonable side to play on it," secretary Peter Dent said.

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Darryl Glover, who holds the unusual dual role of goalkeeper and coach with Cringila, is keen to retain the jobs next season.

Glover got Cringila into the final for the first time this year and wants to go one better in 1986.

He told ASW he has been pleased with the response from the players. "Their attitude has changed a lot for the better, particularly towards training," Glover said.

"Disciplinary problems were driving the committee up the wall when I went there but we seem to have sorted them out."

Glover has the basis of a strong squad for next year but he must sign at least one goalscoring forward to be a championship threat.

Cringila have the money to solve this problem.

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Terry Hurley has taken on the Corrimal coaching job for next season without knowing which league the club will be playing in.

Hurley has agreed to terms with Corrimal even though they could well be axed from premier league after finishing second-last.

Corrimal plan to spend money on rebuilding their side next year and Hurley already has his eye on two experienced players he wants to sign up.

Like the Corrimal committee, Hurley is confident the club will cling to their premier league status.

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West-Figtree could have a new-look line-up for the start of the new season.

The team was the big disappointment of 1985, finishing third-last and officials want to inject some new blood into the line-up.

Already winger Ron van der Voorde and midfielder Geoff Fellowes have indicated they won't be with the club.

Fellowes could follow former teammate Larry Berringer to Fairy Meadow to try his luck in the State league.

Phil Carr and Luke Robaard are keen to stay on as Figtree's coaching combination and are talking with several of the club's promising under 19 players.

One who has signed up is Dean Simpson, who was leading goalscorer in the three grades of premier league this season with 23.

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Talk about an embarrassing moment... The scene was the referees' dressing room before the Bulli-Aris grand final with referee Jack Readshaw about to lead linesmen Phil Torpy and Mario Mastroianni on to the field.

Suddenly the linesmen realised they didn't have any flags.

It could have meant red faces all around but Ray Smiles, who controlled the under 19 grand final, came to the rescue.

He had two flags in his bag, so the linesmen didn't have to use their handkerchiefs after all.

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The ISA presentation night will be held at Corrimal League Club on Friday week and tickets are selling well.

Big contingents are certain from Bulli and Unanderra, winners of the premier league and first division championships.

Association president George Naylor has indicated there will be an important announcement made on sponsorship during the evening, but won't elaborate.

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Fairy Meadow goalkeeper Warwick Young would have been interested in progress scores from the Sydney Cricket Ground when he played in yesterday's State league grand final against Melita.

Young is the brother of St George forward Craig Young.

Their father, Bob, played soccer for Australia and had a tough decision to make with his boys in grand finals on the same day.

Craig got the nod as "dad" had watched Warwick's team beat Canterbury in the major semi-final the same day Craig was playing rugby league for Saints against Canterbury.

CLUB MARCONI SOCCER

Applications are now being accepted from qualified junior coaches for the positions of:

Junior Director of Coaching and Junior coaches for Under 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16 age groups.

Applications will close at 4pm, 7th October.

Junior players selection trials will be held at

Club Marconi on Saturday October 19

Under 10 and 11 at 9.30am, Under 12, 13 at 11am, Under 14 and 15 at 1pm and Under 16's at 3pm.





THE JOHNNY WARREN PAGE

CANBERRA ARE OFF TO PAPUA

CANBERRA CITY Olympians will play two matches during its forthcoming trip to Papua New Guinea.

The tour, which is part of the tenth anniversary celebrations for PNG, gets underway on October 23, with the team returning on October 29.

Canberra will play both matches in Port Moresby — against Port Moresby on Friday October 25 and against the PNG national team on Sunday October 27.

Coach Roy Thomson will be taking a near full strength Canberra team which will be: Anthony Franken, Paul Ontong, Tom Sermanni, Jason Dunn, Ian Gibson, Steve Bryant, John Mihailidis, Manis Lamond, George Economopoulos, Marko Perinovic, John Nelson, Gus Cerro, Peter Mazis, John Alexakis.

Highly successful NSL Youth team coach Mike Black will also travel with the team as will physiotherapist Denis Hall and director Tom Exarhos who will be the tour leader.

Interest is very high in Port Moresby thanks in no small way to the appearance of "local boy made good" Manis Lamond.

PNG officials anticipate a crowd of 6,000 for the Port Moresby game and 8-10,000 fans for the PNG national team game.

Whilst in PNG the Canberra City Olympians team will be involved with promotional activities for its major backer James Hardie Industries.

HAWKER'S WIN

HAWKER Primary School won the James Hardie ACT Primary Schools' knock-out Cup when it beat St Anthony's 4-0 at the Australian Institute of Sport.

This is the second time Hawker has won the Cup, the first being in 1979.

As with the girls competition the boys was sponsored by James Hardie Industries.

Apart from sponsorship of the knock out Cups, James Hardie also provides a coaching service to schools throughout the ACT.

Lynham Primary won the girls final earlier this year when they beat Melba on penalties.

The girls final was played before the Canberra City — Wollongong NSL game.

The Canberra Youth



ANTHONY FRANKEN

PRAGUE: Czechoslovakia beat Portugal 1-0 in their group two qualifying match.
Scorer: Vladimir Huska (20).

STOCKHOLM: Sweden and West Germany drew 2-2 in the European group two qualifier.
Scorers: Sweden — Dan Corneliusson (63), Mats Magnusson (90). West Germany — Rudi Voller (23), Matthias Herget (40).
Group two standings.

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
W Germany	5	5	1	0	20	6	11
Sweden	5	3	1	2	11	6	7
Portugal	5	3	0	3	8	8	6
Czechoslovakia	5	2	1	3	7	9	5
Malta	5	0	1	5	3	20	1

Remaining matches: October 12 Portugal v Malta, October 16 Czechoslovakia v Sweden, West Germany v Portugal, November 17 West Germany v Czechoslovakia, Malta v Sweden.
Group winners and runners-up qualify for finals.

SEVILLE: Spain beat Iceland 2-1 in a group seven match.
Scorers: Spain — Rincon (44), Gordillo (51). Iceland — Tjorboersen (35).
Group seven standings

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Spain	5	4	0	2	9	8	8
Scotland	5	3	1	2	8	4	7
Wales	5	3	1	2	7	6	7
Iceland	5	1	0	5	4	10	2

Spain qualify for finals in Mexico. Scotland play off against Oceania winners.

LUXEMBOURG: Bulgaria beat Luxembourg 3-1 in the European group four qualifier.
Scorers: Luxembourg — Remy Langers (85). Bulgaria — Peter Petrov (2), Kostadin Kostadinov (25), Georgi Dimitrov (32).

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Bulgaria	7	5	1	1	12	3	11
Yugoslavia	7	3	2	1	6	4	8
France	7	3	1	2	7	4	7
E Germany	7	3	0	3	12	7	6
Luxembourg	7	0	0	7	2	21	0

Bulgaria qualify for finals. One place to be decided.
Remaining matches: Sept 28 Yugoslavia v East Germany, Oct 30 France v Luxembourg, Nov 16 France v Yugoslavia, East Germany v Bulgaria.

MOSCOW: The Soviet Union beat Denmark 1-0 in a group six game.
Scorer: Protasov.

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Denmark	5	3	0	2	8	4	6
USSR	5	2	2	2	10	8	6
Eire	5	2	2	2	4	4	6
Switz	5	2	2	2	4	9	6
Norway	5	1	2	2	2	3	4

Remaining matches: Oct 9 Denmark v Switzerland, Oct 16 Norway v Denmark, Soviet Union v Eire, Oct 30 Soviet Union v Norway, Nov 13 Switzerland v Norway, Eire v Denmark.

TAMPERE: Finland beat Turkey 1-0 in the group three qualifying match.
Scorer: Jari Rantanen (37).

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
England	5	3	3	0	16	2	9
Finland	5	3	2	3	7	12	8
Romania	5	2	3	1	9	5	7
N Ireland	5	3	1	2	7	5	7
Turkey	5	0	1	5	1	16	1

Remaining matches: Oct 16 Romania v Northern Ireland, England v Turkey, Nov 13 England v Northern Ireland, Nov 14 Turkey v Romania.
Group winners and runners-up qualify for finals.

STEVE BRYANT TAKES AWARD

LONG-SERVING Canberra City utility player Steve Bryant has won the club's Player of the Year award for 1985.

The presentation to Bryant was one of many at the club's Annual Presentation Night held at the Downer Olympic Club.

Bryant was presented with the Alan Lovell perpetual trophy by Lotto Management Services NSW Sales Manager David Kelly.

Included with the award are two VIP tickets and accommodation for Bryant to attend the James Hardie 1000 at Bathurst over the long weekend.

Eighteen year old midfielder Jason Dunn won the Most Improved Player award whilst the supporters' Player of the Year went to Anthony Franken.

team were individually presented with awards for their outstanding achievements in 1985.

The team finished second, on goal difference behind Wollongong, in the championship and were beaten in the grand final by Sydney City in the top five play-offs.

As all the boys are Canberra lads, their achievements are the highest ever by a "real" Canberra team in any sport in a national competition.

John Nelson won the Youth team Player of the Year whilst Gardner Murray won the Most Improved Player award.

James Hardie Industries' Ron Bolton made the presentations on behalf of the club sponsor.



Steve Bryant, Canberra's Player of the Year.

CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS RESULTS

UNDER 8
Blacktown 1 Bankstown 0,
Sutherland District 3 St George 0,
Enfield 2 Sutherland 0.

UNDER 9
Blacktown 2 Bankstown 0,
Southern District 1 Sylvania 0,
Nepean 2 Southern Eastern 0.
Southern District 3 Miranda 2,
Southern Eastern 2 Apia 1.

UNDER 10
Merrylands 2 Daplo 1, Bankstown 1 Blacktown 0, Southern District 3 Sylvania 1, Nepean 4 Southern Eastern 2.

UNDER 11
Marcarthur 2 Balgownie 1, Bankstown 6 Blacktown 0,
Southern District 2 St George 0,
Apia 5 Southern District 0.

UNDER 12
Marcarthur 3 Balgownie 2,
Southern District 2 Sutherland 1, Southern Eastern 4 corner
Nepean 2 corner.

UNDER 13
Balgownie 2 Marcarthur 1,
Blacktown 4 Bankstown 2.

UNDER 14
Western United 1 Lakeleigh 0, Bankstown 3 Holy Cross 1,
Southern District 4 St George 1,
Nepean 1 Southern Eastern 0.

UNDER 15
North Rock 1 Corralim 0,
Bankstown 1 Carlingford 0,
Southern District 2 Kirrawee 1.

UNDER 16
Castle Hill 2 Burnhill 1,
Blacktown 1 Bankstown 0,
Southern District 1 Sylvania 0,
Marrickville 1 corner Southern Eastern 0.

UNDER 17
Woonoona 2 North Rocks 0,
West Pennant Hills 1 Bankstown 0, Southern District 4, St George 1.

UNDER 18
Bankstown 4 Blacktown 1,
Kuringai 1 Kirrawee 0.

Under 21
Bankstown 3 Blacktown 1,
Gymea 1 Kuringai 0.

ALL AGES
Granville 3 Highland 1,
Manly 2 Blacktown 1, Southern 3 Kuringai 0, Belmore 2 Southern Eastern 1.

BELGRADE: East Germany beat Yugoslavia 2-1 in a European group four qualifier.
Scorers: Yugoslavia — Skoro (82).
East Germany — Thom (48 and 59).

WEST GERMANY

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Bulgaria	7	5	1	1	12	3	11
East Germany	7	4	0	3	14	8	8
Yugoslavia	7	3	2	2	7	6	8
France	7	3	1	2	7	4	7
Luxembourg	7	0	0	7	2	21	0

Remaining matches:
France v Luxembourg (October 30).
France v Yugoslavia, East Germany v Bulgaria (November 16).

WEST GERMANY
Fortuna Dueseldorf 4 Bayern Munich 0, Nuremberg 0 Stuttgart 1, Cologne 4 Schalke 2, Hamburg 3 Hannover 0, Kaiserslautern 2 Borussia Dortmund 0, Eintracht Frankfurt 1 Bayer Leverkusen 0, Bochum 2 Werder Bremen 3, Waldhof Mannheim 3 Borussia Moenchengladbach 1, Bayer Uerdingen 2 Saarbrücken 1.

Werder Bremen	9	6	3	0	26	12	15
Borussia M'bach	9	5	2	2	21	13	12
Kaiserslautern	9	5	2	2	16	10	12
W Mannheim	9	4	4	1	14	9	12
Stuttgart	9	5	1	3	17	10	11
Bayern Munich	9	4	2	2	11	9	10
Bayer Uerdingen	9	4	2	3	14	10	10
Hamburg	9	4	1	3	14	8	9
Eintracht Frankfurt	9	2	5	2	9	10	9
Cologne	9	2	5	2	13	10	9
Bayer L'kuser	9	3	2	3	13	10	8
Bochum	9	4	0	3	20	20	8
Nuremberg	9	3	1	5	15	15	7
Fortuna D'ort	9	3	0	6	15	23	6
Hannover	9	1	3	4	13	23	5
Schalke	9	2	1	6	10	16	5
Saarbrücken	9	1	3	5	8	15	5
Borussia D'mund	9	1	3	5	10	22	5

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Tom Sermanni, off to New Guinea with Canberra.

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QUEENSLAND

VIEW

BY GREG RUSSELL

WHOSE GOING UP AND DOWN?

WHILE the fixtures are over in Queensland's semi-professional and amateur divisions, the relegation and promotion issues are just starting to get interesting.

Starting at the top, although Acacia Ridge held hopes it may be able to avoid relegation on a technicality, it now is certain that they will drop down to the intermediate league and their place will be taken by tearaway intermediate champions Wynnum.

But the relegation-promotion issue between intermediate league and amateur division one is much more intriguing.

Redlands and Kingsridge were the two sides that finished in the relegation places in the intermediate league while Pine Rivers and Salisbury were the top two amateur sides.

But a simple up down switch is not that simple.

The Federation has laid down strict criteria for the step up to the semi-professional leagues and at present neither amateur promotion candidates meet the conditions.

Both admit they have major work to be done and in Salisbury's case they have revealed that unless they can get a sponsor for more than \$10,000 they will have to decline the promotion chance.

That could get Redlands off the hook, a club everyone including some federation officials, are keen to stay up.

Redlands represents one of the growing regional areas around Brisbane and the federation restructuring committee no doubt was quietly delighted when they nearly made promotion to the premier league last year.

But this season has been a horror one for Redlands with injuries depleting the clubs playing strength. The side plummeted from the top four to second last during the second round of the competition.

The Federation management committee cannot make any decision or recommendations until the clubs apply for 1986 placings. But many are predicting Redlands will be retained.

One of the saddest stories was the relegation of amateur division one side Darra. They dropped into the second division on the strength of one goal.

Darra finished equal second bottom on sixteen points with South United. But South scored 20 goals and conceded 40 for a difference of negative 20, while Darra scored 36 and gave away 57 — a difference of negative 21.

The sides promoted from the second division were Inala City and Slacks Creek, who edged out the star-studded The Gap in the final fixture.

ROTHMANS RACE

THE race for Queensland's Rothmans Best and Fairest Medal is one of the most open for years.

No-one has emerged a clear favorite for the award and countless names have been put forward by the tipsters.

Last year's convincing winner Ron Millman has had a sound season again, although he failed to dominate in the manner that enabled him to run away in the vote tally last season.

But he is definitely among the favorites and could well join Ken Swan as the only dual winners.

Many are tipping a rookie to take the award this season in Taringa's Mark Gilbert.

Gilbert, a former Thistle player, has come into his own in the Taringa defence this season under the guidance of coach Iain Kesson.

Gilbert polled well in the courier-mail Best and Fairest, often a fair indicator of the Rothman winner — last year of course being an exception.

Traditionally it is easier to win the medal from a team which finishes mid-table which puts players from Mount Gravatt, North Star, Thistle, Coalstars and indeed Taringa in line.

Mount Gravatt's Noel Davis would have been a big show had he not broken his leg mid-season. But Craig Dickson and Dave Costa are expected to poll well.

Grange Thistle's Steve Dolan always features as probably will Paul Fagan from North Star, despite missing games

through injury. But there is a big tip for Coalstars defender Mark McNaughton, the former Lions NSL player and New Zealand International, who has had a solid season after coming back from a broken leg.

Other with a show include Ipswich's Wayne Warren, Lions' Richard Van Wyn and Norm Bell, Olympic's Chris Fegan and Acacia Ridge's Ian Proud.

The winner will be announced at Perry Park on Friday, October 4.

WEST LEFT ON A LIMB

THE Queensland Soccer Federation seems certain to reject an invitation to play Western Australia in Perth.

New South Wales already has turned down a similar invitation while Victoria are believed to be presently considering a match.

The West Australians approached the Eastern States after they were left "high and dry" when representative games fell through following the cancellation of tours by AEK Athens and PSV Eindhoven.

The WA Federation had hoped its state side would get matches against the tourists.

But now the West's top players have been left without the expected representative games and the WA Federation wants to arrange games in late October.

While the original financial details were not viable for the QSF, Queensland's main reason for not jumping at the opportunity to play an interstate match was that the State's NSL players have not trained for more than a month following the early end to the NSL.

And State coach Bruce Stowell has committed himself to several coaching courses over the coming months.

"While we are still considering the details, everything has come at short notice and we would be very hard pressed to put out our best side," QSF secretary Mr Alan Vessey said.

"A game early next season would be much more suitable."

No doubt the other Eastern States have struck similar problems and it seems Western Australia could be left high and dry.



JIM HERMISTON

THE WORRY OF LANG PARK

THE Socceroos could have been risking serious injury when they played China at Lang Park in Brisbane on Friday.

And to make matters worse, local soccer officials expected an embarrassing turnout for the full international.

The vast Lang Park is the headquarters of the Queensland Rugby League and seats nearly 40,000. The match was likely to attract no more than a tenth capacity.

But more worrying was the standard of the playing surface.

Last weekend Lang Park hosted the QRL Grand Final between Souths and Wynnum-Manly. The surface is traditionally bumpy but

made even worse by last weekend's pounding final.

Although the field was rolled before Friday's international, for the Ampol Cup, the surface still was far from perfect for soccer.

The danger of twisted ankles was high which proved a worrying thought for Frank Arok and his players, particularly in the middle of their Oceania World Cup qualifying matches.

International series matches were played at Lang Park last season

and the state of the ground was criticised. And it was at Lang Park that Richard Miranda was seriously injured after a clash with Iraklis fullback George Orfanidis.

Queensland Soccer Federation President Ian Brusasco wanted to stage the match at Perry Park, soccer headquarters this Sunday. But following the switch to a Friday night game, Perry Park was ruled out because its lights are not suitable for colour television coverage.



LANG PARK action — ASW's Greg Russell was wary of the perils it was to hold.

'HI' NOON SAY BRISBANE?

FORMER Brisbane Lions NSL coach and ex-Kuringal mentor Harry Noon is among the applicants who have enquired about the as yet unadvertised Brisbane City job.

And Noon reportedly told a City official that he would bring many of the Brisbane Lions players with him if he was

appointed. While City officials have taken that promise with a grain of salt, Lions officials roared laughing

at the suggestion.

"Those that would have gone with Harry have already left," a Lions official said.

Although the club is yet to advertise its NSL coach position — if indeed Brisbane will be in the National League next year — up until last week City officials had received 10 applications for the position. All but three were from interstate.

Noon's was one of the first to be received following the virtual sacking of Jim Hermiston at the conclusion of the season.

Hermiston was told he could re-apply for the City job, but club president John Ciavarella said "if we can get someone better we will."

A few eyebrows have been raised by the disclosure that two local premier league coaches were among the applicants. And it is believed one is from a club involved in the present top four series.

REVIVING SWEET MEMORIES

MEMORIES of the epic major semi-final struggle between Mount Gravatt and East three years ago were revived when the Hawks played a scoreless draw with North Star in the Queensland Premier League knockout semi-final Perry Park last week.

That State League semi, which went into three replays and more nearly 400 minutes of football and eventually promoted a rule change, could never happen again.

But throughout the knockout semi-final between Mount Gravatt and North Star last week, both sides looked equally incapable of breaking the deadlock.

The first 70 minutes of the game were played at a lethargic pace, possibly due to the heat and dust. It was until the final minutes of normal time and during the extra-time period that either team showed any urgency.

And even then strikers on both sides were way off target while spectacular saves from Mount Gravatt's Stu Woodruffe and Stars' Noel Lord kept out any better attempts.

The failure to resolve the knockout semi forced the federation into a replay and reaped them a financial bonanza. The federation scheduled the knockout game into a triple header with the intermediate league and premier league major semis at Perry Park last Sunday.

And while that provided Mount Gravatt and North Star with a week to get over the knocks of their first game, it also meant the winning team has to front up again this Sunday for the preliminary final.

Whether any side can stand three tough games in as many weeks, then go on and win the final remains to be seen.

But if the Easts-Mount Gravatt marathon is any indication, the statistics are against it.

Mount Gravatt eventually won the third replay, on a penalty in extra time, while Easts had to go to the preliminary final. They won that but were easily outclassed by Mount Gravatt in the final.

Will history repeat itself?

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THE WORLD SCENE THROUGH THE LENS

THIS week ASW begins a series that will become a popular and permanent fixture in our publication. We will endeavour to bring to you on this page the very best of action from recent matches around the football globe ... so here goes.



ITALY — Roma on the warpath. What a strike force at AS Roma this season; Boniek, Conti and Pruzzo training prior to last week's 2-0 loss to Bari.



YUGOSLAVIA — Nebojsa Vucicevic of Partizan leaves Red Star defender Izjednaciuci on his backside as he scores the winning goal.



YUGOSLAVIA — Red Star are beaten, Partizan rejoice.



ITALY — English and Italian hero, Mark Hateley, tries a shot during AC Milan's 2-0 loss to Fiorentina.



CHILE — Left: New Chilean superstar, Jaime Vera of Colo Colo challenges San Felipe defender Sanchez during Colo Colo's slashing 4-0 win.

Below: CHILE — The goalkeeper of O'Higgins denies the talented Cobreloa attack during the table-toppers 2-0 victory.



Left: ENGLAND — Chelsea's Kerry Dixon hammers a goal past Southampton goalkeeper during Chelsea's 2-0 win at Stamford Bridge.

Bottom left: WEST GERMANY — A goal for West German champions Bayern Munich against Fortuna.

Below: NEW ZEALAND — Napier's John McDermid heads his side's goal past Takapuna's Clive Holmes during the Rothmans League 1-1 clash.



STAR PROFILE

BY JOHN ECONOMOS



**ROBBIE
DUNN**

BIRTH AND BIRTH-PLACE: 8.7.60, Paisley, Scotland.

HEIGHT: 6'3"

MARRIED: Yes to Pauline.

OCCUPATION: Sales Engineer.

PLAYING POSITION: Centre-back or sweeper.

CLUBS PLAYED FOR: North Perth, Croatia, Adelaide Azzuri, West Adelaide, currently with Preston.

FAVOURITE PLAYERS: David Ratcliffe, Jimmy Patikas, Charlie Egan, Maradona, Platini.

FAVOURITE CLUBS: Preston, West Adelaide, Glasgow Rangers and Manchester United.

CAR: Ford Telstar.

BIGGEST DISAPPOINTMENT IN SOCCER: "Being selected last year in the Australia B squad and then being dropped despite not having played a game."

BIGGEST INFLUENCE ON CAREER: "Alan Vest and Peter Ollerton."

FAVOURITE OTHER SPORTS OR HOBBIES: Aussie Rules and Gridiron.

FAVOURITE FILM STARS: Clint Eastwood.

LONG TERM AMBITIONS: To be selected for Australia and play for the National team as long as I can. Even for the following World Cup in 1990.

SUPERSTITIONS: None.

FAVOURITE MUSIC: Tears For Fears.

MAJOR INJURIES: "I broke my leg on my 13th birthday. Since then I broke both of my arms, one of them in Karate."

BEST TEAM IN RECENT INTERNATIONAL SERIES: Australia.

BEST PLAYER FOR AUSTRALIA IN SERIES: Zarko Odzakov.

NATIONAL TEAM TO WORRY AUSTRALIA QUALIFYING FOR 1986 WORLD CUP: "Israel."

I feel they are technically a little better than us and most of the other Oceania Group. And as they have already shown us against China-Taipei, they know how to put the ball away for goals."

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bray, was stretched off with a badly injured left leg.

chances earlier. He broke through the middle and put his shot over the oncoming keeper and into the net to seal the victory.



WARWICK YOUNG

Melita hammered home their advantage when Billy Griffiths worked wonders on the left flank.

He gathered the ball on the halfway line, struggled against two Fairy Meadow midfielders and broke free, then skipped out of another challenge and whipped in another pin-point cross (something Melita had lacked all season). John Davies collected it 20 metres out and drove home his shot.

Peter Hensmann rounded off the scoring in the 83rd minute after missing three clear-cut

Mick Jones was obviously elated later but rammed home the fact that it was a little late. "A thrilling victory but realistically we should have played all year the way we have in the last couple of weeks. We've beaten the best sides lately so we should have done it during the competition."

**FLEMING
MOVES TO
'GONG**

Fairy Meadow's player-coach John Fleming stated, "We had our chances even when we were two and three down. We hit the post some four times so we were never out of it."

"A team can only do their best and our best was not good enough."

"As for next year, I've just told the staff and management that I will be joining Wollongong next season as coach. It is a sad thing to leave Fairy Meadow, the help and support I have received this year but I'm looking to further my coaching career, and that is why I'm going to Wollongong."

MAN OF THE MATCH: LENNY VIAL, was superb in the midfield, tigerish in defence and great distributing.

MELITA: Pupovac, Leung, O'Rourke, McCoy, Wilson, Davies, Farrugia, Vial (Callaghan 84), Walker, Griffiths, Hensmann (Dalton 84).

FAIRY MEADOW: Young, White, Morlando, Jones, Beringer, Montecchi (Pell 68), Mowbray, Giraldi, Chilly, Richardson, Fontana.

REFEREE: P. Rampley
CROWD: 3500



RAY FARRUGIA

AUSSIES THUMP CHINA IN CUP

IT took nearly a year but Australia were finally able to exact revenge for their unlucky loss to China in Beijing during the first Ampol Cup clash.

During that 1984 match, Australia were unjustly treated by the referee but this time round they had no such ill-fortune and hammered the weak Chinese team 3-0.

Admittedly the Chinese had little to offer but Australia's performance leading up to their World Cup encounter with Israel was all the more impressive because of the way they handled an atrocious playing surface.

The Lang Park ground was simply not fit for any sort of football and the players invariably suffered in their attempts to play a decent match.

Australia got off to an electric start when captain John Kosmina notched his 19th international goal after nine minutes.

The move which started from midfielder Oscar Crino was a delightful one. Alan Davidson looped over a cross that David Mitchell met with a downward header right into the path of Kossie who rifled his

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sports balls

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ETHNIC CUP RESULTS

Cyprus managed to hold the strong Italy side to a 1-all draw in the Ethnic Cup tournament which kicked off last Saturday at the St George Stadium.

In the second game Australia went down 2-1 to Scotland in a match where striker John McKie and Johnny Bradley starred for the Scots.

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FRANCE

Paris S-G	13	11	2	0	29	9	24
Bordeaux	13	8	2	3	24	15	18
Nantes	13	7	4	2	15	8	18
Nancy	13	8	1	4	23	17	17
Lens	13	6	3	4	27	16	16
Toulouse	13	7	0	6	23	18	14
Nice	12	4	8	3	12	12	14
Auxerre	13	4	5	4	14	14	13
Monaco	13	3	7	3	14	15	13
Metz	13	3	6	4	15	11	12
Laval	13	3	6	4	14	12	12
Rennes	13	5	2	6	16	16	12
Lille	13	5	2	6	15	20	12
Sochaux	13	3	4	8	16	18	10
Brest	13	4	2	7	13	18	10
Toulon	13	3	4	6	12	19	10
Marseille	13	3	3	7	13	20	9
La Havre	13	3	3	7	10	21	9
Strasbourg	13	3	3	7	11	25	9
Bastia	13	3	3	7	11	25	9

FRANCE

Marseille 2	Monaco 2	Auxerre 0	Lens 0
Nice 2	Rennes 1	Brest 1	Nantes 3
Nancy 5	Toulon 3	Paris SG 4	Sochaux 1
Lille 2	Toulouse 0	Bordeaux 2	Bastia 2
Laval 4	Strasbourg 1	La Havre 0	Metz 0

REFEREE: Bill Monteverde.
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most popular form in the US is its non-stop action, unlimited "running" substitutions, sin bins and emphasis on positive attacking play.

It is believed the ASF and the national league have performed preliminary studies on organising indoor soccer and the unofficial word is that the MISL form is the one in which both bodies are most interested.

'Keen Promotion'

Kaiser and Harris are keen to promote competitions along the local game's established leagues and their first premierhip will involve clubs from the Northern NSW first division.

The syndicate has already secured sound sponsorship from companies such as Schweppes and prizes for the first series of tournaments includes Queensland holidays and cash rewards.

"The centre will cater to social competition on a regular basis because we're certain the game will have community appeal to men, women and juniors," said Kaiser.

"But because of our associations with top level soccer in Australia, we're looking at involving this country's best club teams in a premier indoor competition."

The SpeedSoccer syndicate has gone about its business in a thoroughly professional way, selecting a site which is in the geographical centre of the Newcastle-Lake Macquarie population zone.

The facility is ultra-modern and sits opposite the thriving Cardiff Workers licensed social club. Car parking space is plentiful and inside the stadium are change rooms, shower facilities, a sportswear shop specialising in indoor soccer gear, a kiosk and a mezzanine observation deck.

The spectator area features individually-moulded plastic seating. The company has recorded a series of radio and TV ads featuring Liverpool star Craig Johnston endorsing what he describes as "Australia's finest indoor soccer pitch". The ads will go to air within a few weeks.

When Johnston returns to Australia next winter he has been booked in at the centre

for a series of guest coaching courses.

Meanwhile, the opening night on September 28 proved to be an extravagant affair with some of Sydney's, Olympic Airways League stars turning it on in a NSW Invitation side against a Northern NSW team. Both sides had a sprinkling of Kaiser's KB crew of '83 and with their experience of the MISL rules the opening match sure sparked plenty of interest.

The indoor game is certainly taking off in Australia and why not? It is an ideal sport, for spectator and player... non-stop action.

Players from most NSL clubs are involved in some sort of indoor activity and it is not restricted to just players, coaches, officials and even media are into it, for instance ASW's Editor, Frank Coletta, turns it on weekly at the Allan Maher centre for the GOALBUSTERS UN-ITED side, sponsored by Fonzy's Pizza Parlour of Moorebank.

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YESTERDAY'S BRITISH RESULTS

ENGLISH DIVISION ONE

Man. Utd	10	10	0	0	27	3	30
Liverpool	10	6	3	1	25	11	21
Chelsea	10	5	3	2	14	10	18
Newcastle	10	5	3	2	17	14	18
Everton	10	5	2	3	18	12	17
Arsenal	10	5	2	3	12	10	17
Sheff Wed.	10	5	2	3	15	18	17
Tottenham	10	5	1	4	22	12	16
Watford	10	5	1	4	22	16	16
Birmingham	10	5	1	4	10	14	16
QPR	10	5	0	5	13	14	15
Aston Villa	10	3	5	2	13	10	14
West Ham	10	3	4	3	17	14	13
Coventry	10	2	4	4	13	14	10
Luton	9	2	4	3	12	14	10
Nott. Forest	10	3	1	6	13	17	10
Oxford	10	2	3	5	13	19	9
Man. City	10	2	3	5	10	18	9
Leicester	10	2	3	5	8	18	9
Southampton	10	1	5	4	10	12	8
Ipswich	9	2	1	6	4	14	7
West Bromwich	10	0	1	9	7	31	1

ENGLISH DIVISION THREE

Reading	9	9	0	0	17	6	27
Walsall	9	7	0	2	20	9	21
Nott Country	9	4	4	1	15	12	16
Wigan	8	5	0	3	16	9	15
Gillingham	9	4	3	2	12	9	15
York	9	4	2	3	18	15	14
Derby	8	4	2	2	10	8	14
Chesham	9	3	4	2	13	8	13
Doncaster	9	3	4	2	12	10	13
Lincoln	9	3	4	2	12	10	13
Bury	8	3	3	2	19	12	12
Blackpool	9	4	0	5	14	12	12
Bolton	9	3	3	2	13	12	12
Newport	9	3	3	2	10	11	11
Rotherham	9	3	2	4	9	11	11
Bristol City	9	3	2	4	11	16	11
Brentford	9	3	2	4	7	13	11
Plymouth	9	3	1	5	10	11	10
Bournemouth	9	3	1	5	11	14	10
Bristol Rovers	9	2	3	4	10	14	9
Cardiff	9	2	2	5	9	16	8
Swansea	9	2	1	6	8	13	7
Darlington	8	1	2	5	11	20	5
Wolverhampton	9	1	1	7	14	27	4

SCOTTISH PREMIER DIVISION

Celtic	7	5	2	0	15	4	12
Aberdeen	8	4	3	1	16	6	11
Rangers	8	5	1	2	12	7	11
St Mirren	8	4	1	3	16	13	9
Dundee	8	4	0	4	8	13	8
Clydebank	7	3	1	3	8	5	7
Dundee Utd	7	3	1	3	8	5	7
Hearts	8	2	1	5	9	17	5
Motherwell	8	1	2	5	6	13	4
Hibernian	7	1	0	6	5	17	2

ENGLISH DIVISION TWO

Portsmouth	10	7	2	1	21	6	23
Oldham	10	6	2	2	17	10	20
Blackburn	10	5	3	2	13	10	18
Brighton	10	5	2	3	13	9	17
Wimbledon	10	5	2	3	9	9	17
Charlton	8	5	1	2	15	10	16
Barnsley	10	4	4	2	11	7	16
Norwich	10	4	3	3	16	13	15
Huddersfield	10	3	5	2	13	11	14
Sheffield Utd	9	3	4	2	13	11	13
Leeds	10	3	4	3	13	16	13
Crystal Palace	9	3	4	3	13	13	12
Grimsbury	10	2	5	3	13	11	11
Hull	9	2	4	3	15	14	10
Fulham	9	3	1	5	8	10	10
M'orough	9	2	4	3	4	8	10
Bradford	8	3	0	5	11	13	8
Millwall	9	2	2	5	10	14	9
Stoke	10	1	5	4	10	15	8
Sunderland	9	2	2	5	7	15	8
Shrewsbury	10	1	4	5	11	17	7
Carlisle	9	1	2	6	7	19	5

ENGLISH DIVISION FOUR

Colchester	9	7	0	2	23	11	21
Southend	9	6	2	1	18	9	20
Mansfield	9	5	3	1	16	4	18
Peterborough	9	5	2	2	17	8	17
Rochdale	8	5	1	2	14	9	16
Hartlepool	9	5	1	3	16	12	15
Chesham	8	4	3	1	15	9	15
Burnley	9	4	2	3	11	8	14
Oxford	9	4	2	3	15	15	14
Wrexham	9	3	4	2	10	12	13
Crewe	9	4	1	4	9	12	13
Northampton	9	4	0	5	19	14	12
Port Vale	9	3	3	3	10	6	12
Tranmere	9	3	2	4	19	16	11
Halifax	9	3	2	4	13	16	11
Exeter	8	3	2	3	7	10	11
Hereford	9	3	2	4	10	14	11
Stockport	8	3	2	3	10	14	11
Preston	8	3	1	4	13	16	10
Aldershot	9	3	1	5	9	14	10
Swindon	8	2	1	5	9	14	7
Cambridge	9	1	2	6	11	23	5
Scunthorpe	9	1	1	7	8	14	4
Torquay	9	1	0	8	5	22	3

SCOTTISH DIVISION ONE

Dumbarton	8	6	1	1	17	5	13
Clyde	8	4	4	0	12	5	12
Hamilton	8	4	3	1	14	6	11
Brechin	8	5	1	2	15	9	11
Kilmarnock	8	4	2	2	14	9	10
Forfar	8	4	2	2	9	9	10
Falkirk	8	3	3	2	10	7	9
Alloa	8	2	3	3	8	12	7
Partick	8	2	2	4	11	18	6
Ayr	8	1	3	4	7	11	5

East Fife	8	0	5	3	10	16	5
Montrose	8	2	1	5	8	15	5
Morton	8	1	2	5	13	19	4
Airdrieonians	8	0	4	4	6	13	4

SCOTTISH DIVISION TWO

QOS	8	4	4	0	15	6	12
Arbroath	8	5	2	1	13	10	12
Dunfermline	8	4	3	1	19	16	11
Cowdenbeath	8	4	2	2	16	10	10
East Stirling	8	4	2	2	8	7	10
Stenhousemuir	8	3	2	3	15	14	8
Stranraer	8	3	2	3	11	10	8
Meadowbank	8	3	2	3	14	14	8
Raith	8	2	3	3	14	14	7
Queens Park	8	3	1	4	11	14	7
St Johnstone	8	2	2	4	9	12	5
Stirling	8	1	3	4	9	12	5
Berwick	8	1	3	4	8	14	5
Albion	8	1	1	6	8	19	3

ENGLISH DIVISION ONE

Arsenal	0	Newcastle	0	Aston Villa	0	Everton	0	Coventry	3	West Bromwich	0	Leicester	1	Ipswich	0	Liverpool	4	Tottenham	1	Manchester United	1	Southampton	0	Oxford	1	Manchester City	0	Queen's Park	Rangers	3	Birmingham	1	Sheffield Wednesday	3	Luton	2	Watford	3	Chelsea	1	West Ham	4	Nottingham Forest	2
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ENGLISH DIVISION TWO

Carlisle	0	Shrewsbury	2	Fulham	1	Brighton	0	Grimsbury	2	Bradford	0	Leeds	1	Sheffield United	1	Middlesbrough	0	Barnsley	0	Millwall	0	Oldham	1	Norwich	2	Hull	0	Portsmouth	3	Blackburn	0	Stoke	0	Crystal Palace	0	Sunderland	1	Huddersfield	0	Wimbledon	3	Charlton	1
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ENGLISH DIVISION THREE

Bolton	3	Plymouth	1	Bournemouth	4	Darlington	2	Brentford	1	Rotherham	1	Bristol City	2	Blackpool	1	Cardiff	0	Derby	2	Chesham	1	Wigan	1	Doncaster	0	Reading	1	Gillingham	1	York	2	Notts County	2	Bury	2	Swansea	0	Bristol Rovers	1	Walsall	2	Newport	0	Wolverhampton	1	Lincoln	1
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ENGLISH DIVISION FOUR

Aldershot	2	Scunthorpe	1	Crewe	1	Torquay	0	Exeter	1
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Tranmere	0	Hartlepool	1	Swindon	0	Mansfield	3	Southend	0	Peterborough	0	Burnley	0	Preston	2	Hereford	0	Rochdale	3	Northampton	2	Stockport	2	Chester	2	Wrexham	1	Orient	3	Colchester	1	Port Vale	0	Halifax	1	Cambridge	1
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GOLA LEAGUE

Frickley	2	Maidstone	0	Telford	4	Weymouth	1	Wealdstone	2	Altrincham	2	Wycombe	1	Enfield	0
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SCOTTISH PREMIER DIVISION

Clydebank	1	Hearts	0	Dundee	0	Celtic	2	Hibernian	1	Motherwell	0	Rangers	0	Aberdeen	3	St Mirren	1	Dundee United	0
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SCOTTISH DIVISION ONE

Ayr	0	Dumbarton	1	Brechin	2	Kilmarnock	4	Clyde	2	Montrose	0	East Fife	1	Airdrieonians	1	Falkirk	2	Partick	3	Forfar	0	Alloa	4	Hamilton	5	Morton	0
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SCOTTISH DIVISION TWO

Albion	2	Raith	0	Arbroath	1	Stranraer	0	Berwick	1	East Stirling	1	Dunfermline	3	Stenhousemuir	2	Meadowbank	4	St Johnstone	1	Queen's Park	1	Queen of South	2	Stirling	0	Cowdenbeath	0
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NORTHERN IRELAND LEAGUE GOLD CUP

Ballymena	5	Crusaders	1	Bangor	3	Coleraine	1	Carrock	0	Ards	2	Distillery	3	Cliftonville	2	Glenavon	2	Newry	2	Larne	1	Glenatton	2	Lisfield	7	Portadown	0
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THE GENERAL AUSTRALIAN SOCCER SCENE

WARATAHS SWEEP ALL BEFORE THEM

BY JANIE DOUGLAS

ORANGE WARATAHS capped a marvellous season by defeating another Orange side, Ex-Services 3-0 in the Grand Final of the Mid-State Soccer League, played recently at the Waratah Sports Complex.

Waratahs led 1-0 at the break following an outstanding team goal, then withstood some early second half pressure before overwhelming the opposition to capture the premiership.

Waratahs were previously named Champions of the League when they finished the competition rounds, four points clear of Cym.

To cap a memorable year, Waratahs were also winners of the Western Area Challenge Cup, a competition open to all teams in the west.

Waratahs became premiers and champions in the reserve grade competition also.

Another innovation to enter Western Area soccer this season was the playing of a Mid-State representative match against North Star League from the Riverina area.

While most areas have completed their soccer commitments for 1985 the return clash is yet to be played, with the game set down for the October

long weekend.

Mid-State narrowly defeated North Star in the first leg in Wagga and supporters anxiously await the return clash at Waratah sportsclub.

The Mid-State Under 20's too were victorious in the first leg but will need to be at their best to win as decisively this time around.



ROCKHAMPTON HAS CAUGHT THE FEVER

INDOOR Soccer is booming throughout Australia and Rockhampton is no exception.

The first series which has just finished involved sixteen teams playing in a world cup style competition. There was an initial round robin and the winners of each group met in a finals series for a trophy sponsored by Sunburst Orange Juice.

The team who won the trophy was sponsored by the professionals real estate organisation and comprised some of the cities best young players. For example Ian Glazebrook and Guy Rigby represented Queensland junior level while Lindsay Dean was recently invited to Brisbane Lions for a trial.

The second series will commence on October 14th.

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Richard Evans the director of coaching for central Queensland has made quite a name for himself since he came from Wollongong mainly with his coaching ability but equally with his knack of being able to get on with people.

He has kept in touch with his old home town but one story he hasn't told them was about his part time job coaching

the team from the local prison farm (who play in the Rockhampton second division) which almost became full time for a while several weeks ago.

While he was waiting for the players to arrive for a coaching session there was a case of mistaken identity that almost sent him for a haircut and a change of clothes.

The shock came from a touch of the elbow that also nearly sent Evans on a rush trip to a certain room, but it appears it was all part of a joke by one of the attendants.

Evans' face was still pale when I saw him the next day, but knowing how much he appreciates a joke I am sure he saw the funny side of it.

— RIC BARTON

DON'T YOU BE THE ONE TO MISS OUT — ORDER YOUR AUSTRALIAN SOCCER WEEKLY NOW!

THE INTRIGUING HISTORY OF THE WESLEY HALL CUP

BY RIC BARTON

THE Wesley Hall Cup which is played for by the Rockhampton First Division teams is probably the most valuable soccer trophy in the world.

Because of its value the trophy is kept at the Pilbeam Art Gallery and it is always on public view.

It's not surprising that when teams play for this trophy they get a little more keyed up than usual and to win it means something special.

That is supposed to be one reason that Berserker didn't nominate for the Central Queensland League as they wanted to get their name on the cup.

Consequently they dominated the minor premiership finishing seven points in front of Frenchville but it took them two hard fought games to finally win the Cup.

The Grand Final at Norbridge Park on 15th September between Frenchville and Berserker was a hard fought 3-3 draw where Berserker went two goals down but came back well to force the game into a replay.

It was just as exciting and although it also had to go to extra-time they got up by the narrowest of margins, 3-2.

Both games were so well played that it was a pity there had to be a loser but special mention

should be given to the two coaches, Dave Bock from Berserker and Barry "Jock" Gaughan, from Frenchville. A lot has been said about the players but they had to be sent out in the right frame of mind and that is down to the coaches ability.

It dates back to June 1895 when it was offered by the first mayor of Mount Morgan, Wesley Hall, and has been played for ever since except during the war years.

Hall got the materials from the towns mine and went to England to get the Cup made and now it is considered priceless by independent valuation.

After the Boer War with soccer in the area still in its infancy the Cup was loaned to Rugby Union but with a proviso that no inscriptions be put on it.

In 1910 it was handed back to soccer and has been played for in one form or another ever since apart from the time it was lost during the Second World War. Fortunately it was found under the steps of the Lakes Creek Hotel and restored to its former glory.

ROCKHAMPTON REMINDER

IT has been interesting reading the comments in letters to the editor about the lack of concern shown for country centres by the leading authorities in the game throughout Australia.

Part of the problem is the complete lack of interest shown by the television stations illustrated by the fact that Rockhampton is like most centres and restricted to one hour of soccer per week on the ABC the only soccer the commercial station seems interested in is the FA Cup Final and they must be educated, the Socceroos are just as important.

The recent successful trip to Central Queensland by Brisbane Lions has illustrated that there is concern on their part for major country centres and it maybe that there could be more trips if someone just asks them. It seems to me that another part of the problem is that some country centres expect top soccer to be brought to them without any effort on their part but it's like any other business enterprise and has to be justified.

— RIC BARTON

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THE INDOOR BOOM!

BY RIC BARTON

INDOOR SOCCER in Australia is about to be put on its most professional footing with the September 28 opening of the Newcastle SpeedSoccer Centre in the Newcastle suburb of Cardiff.

The centre could be the forerunner of a range of SpeedSoccer venues that will give the indoor game the promotional impetus needed to make it a major participant and spectator sport.

Behind the Newcastle-based company is leading coach Ken Kaiser who recognised that the American-style of indoor, as conducted by the Major Indoor Soccer League (MISL) was not only the most exciting variation of the game but the one most likely to appeal to Australians.

Kaiser took the opportunity to research the MISL and its facilities while on a North American tour with Newcastle KB United in 1983.

Australian SpeedSoccer Pty Ltd is a partner-

ship of Kaiser, former KB United player and coach Keith Harris and Dr Paul Trevillian and his father, Ray Trevillian. The company bought land at Cardiff especially to create a brand new facility along American lines.

The building itself is the prototype of a revolutionary Australian-owned design which could become the standard for indoor sports facilities of the future.

Inside is an expansive pitch covered with Superturf Europa, the world's foremost synthetic surface for indoor soccer and hockey and the one chosen for the Los Angeles Olympics.

It is one of the only three low-injury surfaces approved by FIFA for international competi-

tion. The pile will not slip, diminishing the risk of knee and ankle ligament tears.

The playing area covers more than 1200 square metres and is marked similar to an outdoor pitch. It is surrounded by 2.4 metre-high walls with plexiglass panels to permit spectator viewing. The walls have rounded corners and the large recessed goals mean the ball is rarely out of play.

In keeping with the US format, Kaiser's crew has invested in an electronic scoreboard that is activated by remote control.

The features of the MISL game which set it apart from other indoor forms and made it the

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NSW'S EXCLUSIVE REVIEW OF THE AUSTRALIAN SCHOOLS CHAMPIONSHIP

NSW made it two years in succession when they won the Under 20 Commonwealth Bank Secondary Schools Championships in Canberra on 2nd — 6th September.

The team had a four match tour of the North Island of New Zealand prior to the Championships. There they had victories over a Central Districts U/19 Representative team in Wellington 4-1, a Combined Schools Selection in Levin 10-3, Taranaki U/19 Rep Team 4-0 and a combined Auckland U/19 team, boasting several NZ National League players, 3-0.

At the National Championships NSW commenced with a hard fought 1-0 win over WA with a fine goal by Brian Ellem. On the second day NSW totally outclassed their Victorian opposition. Dominating the midfield NSW hit the posts on several occasions and forced the Victorians to clear off the line twice. The goalkeeper was also kept busy but the final result was a 1-1 draw. That same evening the team backed up to play Tasmania, winning comfortably 4-0. The following morning (their third game in 24 hours) NSW played the highly rated ACT.

Playing against a strong breeze the leg weary NSW players held on against continuous pressure by the ACT. On one of the few breaks made by NSW in the first half Michael Grbevski was able to put away an excellent goal, after some good lead up, to allow NSW to turn at half-time 1-0 up.

With the wind behind them in the second half they went onto a good 3-0 win. Coach Glenn Powell felt that this was the turning point of the carnival, when they met SA on Thursday, although dominating most of the game they could only manage a 1-1 draw. So the carnival virtually hinged on the final days game against Queensland.

NSW had left fullback Alfredo Carmona suspended due to the points system resulting in a reshuffle of the team. NSW went to knowing that they must win and were relentless in the pressure applied to the Queensland midfield and defence, resulting in a convincing 5-0 win with Scott Watson scoring a hat-trick.

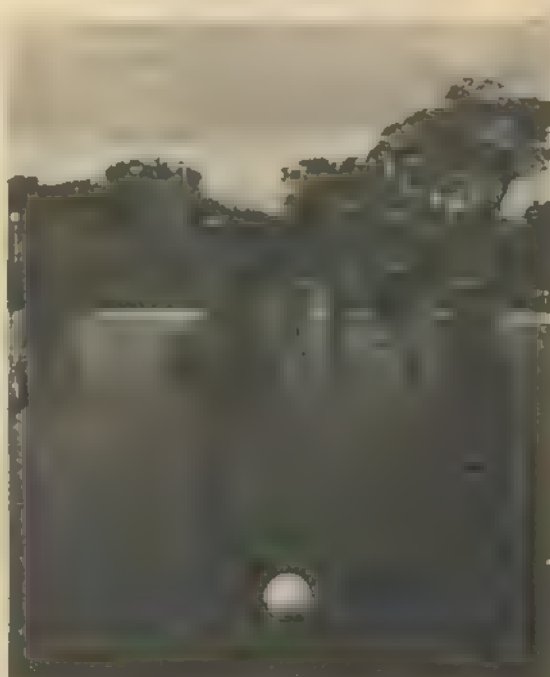
This put the title beyond doubt and was particularly gratifying to Brian Ellem, Scott Watson, Scott Grant, Alfredo Carmona and Coach Glenn Powell, all of whom were involved in the victorious NSW team of 1984.

Brian Ellem was named jointly as Player of the Championship with David Hunter of Queensland. Five NSW players were named in the Australian Schoolboys team to tour the United Kingdom — Brian Ellem, Scott Watson, Scott Ollerenshaw, Scott Grant and Antoine Avelino.

— JAMES DOUGLAS



NSW's defender Alfredo Carmona challenges a Victorian striker.



The ACT's Jason Pollack charges into a tackle against South Australia. The boys from Barossa won 1-0.

1985 ASSSF SOCCER CHAMPIONSHIPS

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2-6th SEPTEMBER 1985

MONDAY 2 SEPTEMBER	10.00	SA v ACT	1-0
	12.00	TAS v QLD	4-0
	4.00	NSW v WA	1-0
	6.00	VIC v SA	3-1
TUESDAY 3 SEPTEMBER	9.00	NSW v VIC	1-1
	11.00	ACT v WA	3-0
	3.00	QLD v VIC	1-1
	5.00	NSW v TAS	4-0
WEDNESDAY 4 SEPTEMBER	7.00	WA v SA	2-1
	9.00	NSW v ACT	3-0
	11.00	VIC v WA	2-2
	1.00	SA v QLD	5-1
THURSDAY 5 SEPTEMBER	5.00	TAS v ACT	6-3
	10.00	NSW v SA	1-1
	12.00	QLD v ACT	1-0
	2.00	VIC v TAS	2-0
FRIDAY 6 SEPTEMBER	6.00	WA v QLD	1-0
	9.00	TAS v SA	2-1
	11.00	NSW v QLD	5-0
	1.00	ACT v VIC	3-1
	1.30	WA v TAS	3-2

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NEW SOUTH WALES	6	4	2	0	15	2	10
VICTORIA	6	2	3	1	10	8	7
W.A.	6	3	1	2	8	9	7
TASMANIA	6	3	0	3	14	13	6
QUEENSLAND	6	2	1	3	7	11	5
A.C.T.	6	2	0	4	9	9	4
S.A.	6	1	1	4	6	13	3



NSW captain Brian Ellem is seen here working a free-kick against Victoria. The match was drawn 1-1.



NSW goalkeeper Antoine Avelino snatches the ball off the head of a strong challenging ACT forward.



The darling of the crowd, Libby Marshall of NSW sets off on another scintillating run, this time against the ACT.



Queensland's David Hunter breaking up a NSW's Enrique Monslave rises high to beat an ACT forward during the Blues' 3-0 win.

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JUNIOR SCENE

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JUNIOR soccer at all levels throughout the State has witnessed a phenomenal surge in interest and an exploding increase in the number of players in the game.

The credit for this can be attributed to a number of factors, but the major one is without a doubt the professional administration and the manner in which the affairs of the New South Wales Amateur Soccer Federation are conducted.

Some three and a half years ago the NSWASF elected as president Ian Holmes who at the time was only 25, making him the youngest ever leader of this organisation.

The day Ian Holmes was elected the NSWASF had a turnover of \$40,000 per annum, and this figure has now reached the half a million dollar mark, a truly spectacular feat.

Obviously this sort of income and expenditure was not simply handed over to the NSWASF, nor were substantial sponsors involved in a turnover, which would probably even surpass their NSWASF counterpart, the NSW Federation of Soccer Clubs.

There is no doubt in my mind that this achievement came about the very day that Ian Holmes was elected president of the NSWASF, which is by far the largest amateur sporting organisation throughout Australia.

Ian Holmes has led the way, and it must be also mentioned that behind him and supporting his aims are his fellow committee members. ASW posed a number of questions to Ian Holmes to establish how in this State junior soccer is the major football code played by schoolboys.

ASW: When you nominated for the position of president for the New South Wales Amateur Soccer Federation did you expect it to be a difficult position to fill?

Holmes: When I nominated I knew that life for the organisation in the 80s would not be easy. I knew it would be a difficult time for the sport in NSW. However I did run for the position having the greatest confidence in the ability of the NSWASF and the code in general to face the challenge ahead.

ASW: What do you see as the chief role of

president of this country's largest sporting organisation?

Holmes: I think the prime task of the president of any organisation, be it at club, association, branch or State level, is to set before members the things they must do. Quite often that entails telling people not what they want to hear, but what they ought to hear.

ASW: Your election to the president's position at 25 years of age was quite exceptional given the age difference between yourself and most other officials at State level. Do you think it is the beginning of a change?

Holmes: I do think that it does indicate the torch is being passed to a new generation of officials on a very gradual basis and I say that without meaning any disrespect to those who have carried the burden for many years. However the new generation has to be willing to take up the mantle and apply themselves to the responsibilities that go with it.

ASW: Because of your age the question of experience or lack of it must often be raised. What's your response to that?

Holmes: I would concede that you can't put an old head on young shoulders. However Harry S. Truman once said: "It is what you learn after you know it all that really counts." My own view is that experience is a wonderful thing providing it enables you to recognise a mistake prior to making it again.

ASW: A lot of new initiatives have occurred under your leadership of the NSWASF. What are some of them?

Holmes: We have introduced country representative teams at Under 13, 14, 15 and 16 years of age. There is now a full time Director of Coaching, jointly funded by the Amateurs and the NSW Soccer Federation, we have established an office which gives us a focal point for our administration.

Our logo is being patented, and we are earning income from licensing arrangements.

We have introduced an administration manual and booklets to assist at Association and club level. Compulsory player's insurance for personal accident and public liability have been bought into affect.

We have obtained a permanent position on the Federation of Soccer Clubs executive and have reached an accommodation over the Parklea complex, thus we have a significant role in its future development. Our financial structure has been rearranged to bring us into line with other large State sporting organisations.

Q: That is a lot of significant changes. What has brought these changes about?

Holmes: A lot of hard work from a broad range of people, some of whom are on the State committee and others who are in the background. The important thing from my position is to continue to maintain the squirt of juice through the system for change. I really believe the things we are able to achieve in the next few years will finally determine the future course of the game in NSW.

ASW: What changes and/or challenges would you like to see the Amateur Federation undertake in the future?

Holmes: The employment of full-time staff is a must. We cannot continue to function and develop our game on our present large scale without that occurring. I consider it appropriate for the Amateur Federation to take an active role in promoting soccer in the schools system. One of our management committee members has already prepared a paper which touches on these two issues. The Amateur Federation needs to become incorporated, and its management committee reduced in size to an appropriate number to make up a board of directors, who will be directly accountable to affiliated Associations.

In the longer term both the Amateur Federation and the New South Wales Federation of Soccer Clubs need to

address the question of the future of both Federations, either as a single unit, or as two separate identities.

ASW: You have been described by some people in the sport as one with an extravagant vision for the code. How do you respond to that and is there a place for dreamers in our sport?

Holmes: Well, the problem is not dreaming, it is that I don't dream big enough dreams. There is nothing wrong in dreaming and having your head in the clouds as long as you have your feet firmly on the ground. The most important thing I have learnt in the challenge is that if you believe in the direction you're going and your objectives are clear, you can achieve many things.

ASW: You quite obviously have had the opportunity to observe the sport at senior level. What do you think is lacking?

Holmes: The question could inspire a very long response. However in brief I believe the sport cannot survive with a lack of financial stability, lack of identifiable goals, lack of planning, lack of cohesion, lack of a strategy and lack of quality manpower in key areas at the senior level of the game.

ASW: Does your response to the problems at senior level indicate a criticism of the president of the Australian Soccer Federation, Sir Arthur George?

Holmes: No, it does not. The man has quite obviously given enormously of himself to the game. There are certain sections of the press which have treated him badly. One of the problems in my opinion is that he has been badly advised by some people around him and because he has at times been surrounded by mediocre type persons it has tended to make him appear a dictator. Thus he cops the blame for things that are not right for the game.

ASW: The Under 13s, 14s and 15s NSW teams recently won all three national championships, and it is only the second occasion this feat

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Contribution can be in story and/or pictorial form. Photographs should be in black and white although colour snaps are usually satisfactory as well.

The decision of the editorial staff of ASW will be final.



Ian Holmes (right) pictured with Bob Maundrell. In this week's ASW, Holmes gives his frank thoughts on many aspects of Australian football.

has been achieved. How much did luck play in this?

Holmes: It is said you make your own luck. As far as I am concerned luck is when preparation meets opportunity and that's what happened this year with the NSW teams. One of our State coaches, Max Groll, once told me the only thing he knew about luck was that it was unlucky to be behind at the end of the game.

ASW: You have obviously tried a lot of new ideas and concepts. Have you had any major disappointments for failures, and what is your attitude to failure?

Holmes: There has of course been a number of disappointments and failures. I think that if you have tried to do something and failed you are vastly better off than if you had tried to do nothing and succeeded.

The important thing to understand is that failure is never final, it is only a temporary situation. You have to be able to take the failures and turn them into successes, you have got to have failure before you can understand and appreciate success. One gives contrast to the other. It's not always where you are that counts, it is the direction in which you are moving.

ASW: Like most officials involved in sport you most probably have your share of critics. How do you respond to criticism?

Holmes: If you spent your time worrying about what people say about you, then you will never achieve anything. Unfortunately God gave

people lips and the opportunity to vocalise with them. Some people find the only way they can utilise that opportunity is to talk about other people. You just can't afford to stop and worry. While they talk about you, try and get things done, and eventually you get so far in front, then they don't know what to say about you.

ASW: You mentioned during the interview the Federation of Soccer Clubs in NSW. How is the relationship between the two bodies?

Holmes: My answer is one word, cordial.

ASW: That's a brief answer. Are there any

major strains or problems between both organisations?

Holmes: I think I'd answer that by saying that to problems there are always solutions and with any problem which does not arise, we try and concentrate our efforts on finding the solution.

ASW: At the recent opening of Parklea, the Premier, the Minister for Sport and the president of the ASF made references to the benefit of the complex for juniors. Yet there seemed by the lack of junior administrators

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SYDNEY OLYMPIC SC JUNIORS



YOUTH LEAGUE TRIALS

Will be held at Centenary Sports area, Cnr Church & Lang Streets, ASHFIELD

U/13 & U/14 Tuesdays October 15th, 22nd & 29th
November 5th, 12th & 19th
COMMENCING: 5.30pm — 8 pm

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November 7th, 14th & 21st
COMMENCING: 5.30pm — 8 pm

The Trials are open to all players in the respective age groups.

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that there was a boycott at the opening?

Holmes: Firstly there was no boycott. The Federation sent out invitations to the opening and those who received their invitation attended. The big disappointment was the Federation executive, who were insensitive to the need to send invitations to district associations. We have made our unhappiness clear to the Federation executive and told them that the NSWASF and its players are not a convenience to be used in the Federation's quest for funding. Apart from that particular disappointing aspect, the opening did demonstrate what our sport can achieve, when everyone works as a unit.

ASW: How long do you plan to be involved in the sport at junior level?

Holmes: I don't have any specific time frame involved. I think it's important to be able to contribute positively while you hold any position. Quite often in any organisation you will see people, who will sit on a committee or hold a position for years and years, and yet contribute nothing to the organisation.

ASW: Are you suggesting that people who sit on committees or hold positions, should be boat rockers?

Holmes: No, the man who rows the boat generally doesn't have time to rock it. What I am saying is that the quality of the time you give on a committee, and the things you achieve during that time, counts the most. It is not the length of time you are on the committee.

ASW: At exactly what level would you be interested?

Holmes: I wouldn't mind eventually becoming involved at either Federation or NSL level.

ASW: Do you ever visualise yourself holding the number one administration position in this country, ASF president?

Holmes: Thanks very much for the compliment. I can't really tell what's going to happen in the next 20 to 25 years. I'll face each challenge as it comes.

UNDER 17 YOUTH LEAGUE A MUST

FOR a number of years now this State's leading junior soccer coaches have been strongly advocating the introduction of a major competition for players once they have completed their junior days.

As it stands now, this State's talented junior players, and there are many, contrary to popular and misguided belief, tens of dozens of outstanding and potential senior players, throughout the country.

But the system which is now in operation, that being once a player finishes his last season in the Under 16 Youth League, he then has two choices.

One is to play in either the second or third grade side of a State League, club, or luckily be one of the very few who make the jump from Under 16s, straight into the ranks of the NSL club's Under 19 Youth team.

This State's leading Under 16 players within this division basically only strive to achieve the aim of being selected in an NSL's Under 19 side.

The other alternative, and I do not wish to be disrespectful to any State League club, but simply present the facts as they are, is a very poor alternative to say the least.

It is this alternative most players do not accept, and as such players with outstanding ability are lost to the code.

The theory held by some is that an Under 16 player, if good enough, should progress without difficulty into an Under 19 side.

But this enormous task for many is simply too huge a burden, and you could not seriously consider a boy of 16 to compete in an NSL Under 19 side, with first team players of immense experience, who have been either dropped or recovering from injury.

That being the case with the creation of an Under 17 Youth League, junior players are gradually given a 12 month period to experience the ground and what is required from semi-professional players.

They should be eased in without being placed

under severe pressure.

There also is no doubt that there are a number of players who came straight from the juniors and into an NSL Under 19 side, and held their own on a consistent basis.

But the number of players in this category is very limited and as such the sooner this State's leading officials introduce an Under 17 League, more opportunities will be created for the clubs to fully realise their dream of not having to buy imports, but produce their very own.

There have been moves from officials within the NSL clubs to commence discussions in forming such a League.

At the recent NSL Council of Clubs meeting, the Marconi delegate raised the issue, which was met with general approval by most of the clubs.

Marconi are to be applauded in their foresight and the other NSL clubs should quickly follow Marconi's thinking and set about bringing in this League for the 1986 season.

There is no need for lengthy and time-consuming meetings and discussions, the NSL clubs want an Under 17 competition, so the League's hierarchy should set about implementing the clubs' wishes.

Unfortunately this League would need to be approved by the NSW Federation of Soccer Clubs executive, and then it would only be a formality for the Australian Soccer Federation to give their blessing.

We are led to believe that the NSW Soccer Federation is not too keen on the idea as they feel it would take players from within their ranks.

But the NSW Federation, who over the past eight to nine years, have been by far the most

non-productive organisation imaginable.

Year in year out, this organisation failed dismally to give this code a boost in this State, and it was through this that New South Wales leading clubs felt they had to form their own League, and as such the National Soccer League of Australia was formed.

It would be hoped that the NSW Federation approve of the idea and let's go forward and progress, and not remain stagnant as the Federation has for quite a considerable amount of years.

The National Soccer League's general manager, Stefan Kamasz, told us this week that most of the NSL clubs were keen to have an Under 17 competition.

"At this stage we have not reached any decision on the matter," Mr Kamasz said.

"I have been instructed by the NSL clubs to undertake a feasibility study on the matter."

"I hope to have it completed by our next meeting which will be held in Melbourne on October 26."

"But I feel we would need the approval of the NSW Federation and from there if the State body is happy, then the ASF I feel would be pleased to finally approve this competition."

There is no doubt a competition for this age group is desperately needed in this country, and if it were to be implemented, it would go a very long way to help eliminate the loss of potentially brilliant youngsters from the code when they reach the age of 16.

It would be interesting to hear readers' views on this subject, and if you wish to voice your view, write to ASW, Junior Scene, P.O. Box 6, Haberfield, 2045. NSW.

NSWASF HANDBOOK GUIDE FOR COACHES

OUR series continues this week with ASW taking a look at how a coach should organise a training session.

ORGANIZING YOUR TRAINING SESSION

Framework of a session

The training session should be organised into FOUR PARTS:

1. Getting ready
2. Learning
3. Improving
4. Using

Getting ready:

Involves fun-skill games which incorporates aspects of the game together with exercises to emphasize flexibility and co-ordination development in children.

Learning:

This part of the session is spent introducing children to a new technique, or developing skill.

Improving:

Means sequentially organized drills which offer the opportunity to practise new techniques, or further develop skills.

Using:

Putting what has been learnt in the session into a game situation. Remember, always begin and end the session with a game, children will then be more inclined to do drill sessions in the middle of the programme.

Any game conducted during the session should reflect technique and skill work planned for the practice.

Questioning

Promote a response from the group using carefully framed questions. You need to know that they understand. Make sure your information flow is two way.

Organization

Make best use of space, time and available facilities.

- Use an appropriate formation so that group can hear and see coach demonstrations.



Position

The coach's position in relation to the group when speaking to them is an important factor. Both coach and group should be able to see each other clearly. Face the group AWAY from such distracting influences as:

- Sun
- Other working groups
- Traffic.

Where possible, use the wind to assist voice carrying. SIT, KNEEL or STAND the group depending on whether verbal instruction or demonstration is to take place.

Sensitivity — listen

Be aware of individual and group reaction by watching and listening.

While careful preparation does not make a good coach, the coach who has given thought to the proposed programme and has tried to anticipate possible difficulties will be in the best position to make a success of the coaching.

Be caring, enthusiastic, patient and understanding. Always encourage and have a sense of humour. The good coaches can provide all this only when they are PREPARED and IN CONTROL of the training session.

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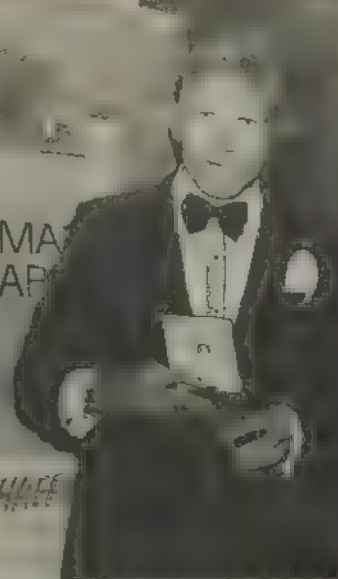
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ROTHMAN
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1—1967 and Manfred Schaefer makes his first appearance for Australia against New Zealand in Saigon's ankle deep mud.
2—1972 Rothmans Medal winner.
3—Carried from the field after damaging his knee against Birmingham playing for NSW — 1973.
4—Chaired off by fans, with the Bisley Cup after Saints had beaten Wests 3-2 in the State Grand Final at the Sports Ground in 71.
5—1967, Schaefer soars above Apia's John Watous.
6—1972 at Drummoynes Oval Schaefer rounds the Western Suburbs keeper to score for the Saints.
7—1975 and rival skipper Ray Richards and Schaefer have a laugh after the Ampol Cup Final.

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'OZ HEROES OF THE PAST'

MANFRED SCHAEFER

Schaefer made his first appearance for Australia in 1967 at the Cong Hoa stadium in Saigon against New Zealand in treacherous conditions. He played a memorable match amid mud and slush and from there on in he was to become a permanent fixture in the Australian side until his retirement after the 1974 World Cup Finals.

Born in Germany, Schaefer came to Australia when he was 12 and started his soccer with the Blacktown Juniors before joining St. George, the only club with which he played senior soccer.

When he arrived at St. George from Blacktown in 1963, he looked like an eager lumberjack looking for a giant forest to clear, when he retired, with 49 caps under his belt, he went out as one of Australia's most dependable defenders.

Few of those who saw it will forget him lifting up a giant Korean, feigning injury, in a World Cup match in Sydney, then, on the protestations of the referee, innocently dropping him back to the ground.

Who can forget the way he crushed Wolverhampton Wanderers attack in Melbourne, the extraordinary game he had against Israel in 1969, or what he did to a poor Iraqi player in Melbourne in 1973?

The Peter Wilson-Manfred Schaefer centre-back combination was the most important ingredient of the Australian 1970-74 team.

The highlight of Schaefer's career was playing against West Germany and marking the great Gerd Mueller in the 1974 World Cup Finals. He retired on his return but was appointed coach of St. George in 1976-77.

— FRANK COLETTA

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THRILLING DISPLAY BOYS!!

Dear Sir,

AS a soccer follower of many years and keen Sydney Croatia supporter, I couldn't let this season finish without praising the skill and exciting play offered by the boys at Sydney Croatia.

They have provided us proud supporters with some talented, enjoyable football. And without the great products such as Jimmy Patikas, Graham Arnold, Zarko Odzakovic, Wally Savor, Bruno Vidalic just to name a few, our game wouldn't be as amusing.

I also think a warm "thank you" should be extended to our player-coach expert Vedran Rožić. He has been absolutely fantastic. His expertise and knowledge of the game have helped build up courage and skill within the camp. But I think we should be giving young ones such as Joe Caleta a fair go!!

The supporters have been great and I bet the players love to hear the pounding "Croatia! Croatia!"

Being cheered across King Tomislav Sports Centre just as much as us the supporters are proud to chant them! Thanks guys, how about the championship next year!

I Maric,
Fairfield, NSW.

ED - Agreed, Croatia were tops this year in displaying skill and class. Next year can only get better for them.

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STILL NO DECENT TV COVERAGE!

Dear Sir,

LAST night I had the pleasure of watching Tottenham Hotspur play Newcastle United on television.

An excellent game of quality football, and brilliant individual skills (Glenn Hoddle was outstanding) played in a good spirit by both teams. After the programme was finished I was able to get to bed at a reasonable time, get a good night's sleep and allow me to rise at 5.30am the following morning for work.

How was this possible when the programme, "Big League Soccer" on Channel 2 finished at midnight? Simple — I happen to be one of the fortunate people who own a video recorder and can watch the programme at any convenient time.

As reported on the front page of the 16th Sept. edition of ASW the screening of BLS is "too late for any youngsters and in fact a little too late for most soccer enthusiasts."

Although I applaud the ABC for screening the programme I ask all those "soccer enthusiasts" out there to write and phone the station requesting the programme be shown at a more convenient time, or replayed on a Sunday morning so everyone who loves this beautiful game can have the opportunity to view it.

"When I think of the skills displayed by Hoddle and company that youngsters can not enjoy and attempt to emulate, it makes me very sad and very angry."

So soccer enthusiasts, exercise your rights as taxpayers and make your displeasure known to your employees — the ABC — not just once but continually until a response is had.

F. Woods,
Hornsby Heights, NSW

ED - Hear, Hear! As you claimed — the ABC have done well in screening Big League Soccer, but even I can't stay up every Monday until midnight.

I think it is obvious that soccer is getting the brush-off from the majority of TV stations. Let us thank our lucky stars for SBS. But let's also get on to the ABC and ask for a fair go



Russell Stewart — Queenslanders think he is national squad material.

DON'T CONDEMN ETHNIC INVOLVEMENT!

Dear Sir,

BEING an avid reader of your paper, I really do enjoy your articles on soccer and also some of the letters which are printed in your letters page.

A few of your writers do amaze me especially some of those who condemn the "ethnic" groups. I reckon if it were not for the Italians and the Greeks, soccer would be at a very low ebb in Australia, I don't condone some of the violence which has been going on with some of these people, but being Irish and British who are we to criticise?

After all it takes two to tango — unfortunately after the Brussels affair nobody wants to know the "Poms" but I wouldn't hold it against Liverpool: after all they are not only one of the best clubs in the world, also their players have a very good reputation. Also in certain parts of Ireland and Scotland if you don't belong to a certain religion you are not wanted. What has religion got to do with soccer? Whether someone is black or white or any religion to me if he is a good player that is what the game's all about.

I hope I haven't upset too many people. Australia v China... and it was good to see a Queenslander got selected even if it was only the referee, (Bill Monterverde) but I reckon Mr Arok hasn't seen Brisbane Lions playing too often, otherwise at least three of their players should have been on the team to play China, Alan Niven any of the two Hunter brothers and also John or Russell Stewart.

How John Stewart didn't get an invitation to the Rothmans' Medal Function amazes me, to me not only a good player, one of the best captains I've seen up here in Queensland for a long time, a player who doesn't ask anyone to do something he won't tackle himself, anyhow enough criticism.

Good luck to Australia's senior team. They will need it against the Kiwis, so too Australian Soccer Weekly I say good luck and keep up the good work on Soccer Down Under — it's about time some of our sports writers and TV commentators gave soccer a wee bit more of a go.

S. McGregor,
Inala,
Queensland (the last supporter)

P.S. Great players. To me Pele, George Best, Puskas, Peter Doherty, Denis Law and last but not least to me the greatest was Stanley Mathews... and he was a pom.

ED - Thank you for your encouragement and for your sensible letter conveying a good message.

As for your comments regarding the selection of Brisbane players in the Australian squad, I agree with the choices of Alan Niven and Alan Hunter.

As for your selection of the greatest players, you've picked the cream of the crop although a fair few others have the same claim to fame.

MORE SKILL LESS PHYSICAL

Dear Sir,

HERE we are at the end of another soccer season and past another presentation night.

Congratulations to prize winners. However I would like to question the criterion of ASPA voting. I do read regularly daily press and weekly soccer press such as ASW.

Almost unanimously all reporters agree that part of decline in Soccer support is a lack of skill in Australian National League. To me it seems odd that all these soccer writers who scream all the year round for more skill, voted in coach of the year a man who told a TV audience after his team had been beaten twice in the national Grand Final that his team should have played more physically, rather than skillfully.

Sydney City is a well organised physically strong team, but never really skilful. As long as coaches who prefer this type of game keep winning awards, Australian Soccer has no future.

M. Pospishil,
Werrington Country
NSW.

ED - True is the claim that more skill is needed — not only in our country but in most: never has a truer word been spoken or written. But if you believe skill will not triumph over brute force, then you are sadly mistaken — the truly brilliant player will nearly always destroy a clodhopping hacker.



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WOMEN'S SOCCER WITH KEITH GILMOUR AND JOHN ECONOMOS

Proud Record

THE Gladesville-Hornsby Women's Football Association has had a proud record in representative soccer in its 4 seasons of existence.

The 1985 season continues this exceptional tradition. For the first time a single local district has supplied the Captains for the New South Wales youth teams at both Under 15 and Under 17 levels.

Kris James and Joanne Munn were selected in the New South Wales Under 15 team to play in the National Championships in Hobart. Kris was elected Captain and led the team to the championship.

GHWFA official Phil Hiron served as Assistant Coach for the squad. The Under 17 National Tournament was also held in Hobart, and Ann-Marie Hiron, Suzie Coughy, and Lyndal Mudie were selected to represent New South Wales. All 3 have represented NSW previously at Under 15 and Under 17 levels.

Ann-Marie was elected Captain and led an undefeated team to the National Championship without conceding a goal. Colette Fitzpatrick has augmented a distinguished Gladesville-Hornsby playing career by coaching this fine side.

Lyndal Mudie, along with another local player Leonie Geribo, was recently selected in the CHS girls soccer team. This team has recently toured New Zealand.

There has been unprecedented expansion of soccer for girls in high schools and, more recently, in primary schools.

The Gladesville-Hornsby policy for youth development coincides with this expansion. The success of this policy seems obvious, and it has set the stage for strong future growth.

McCANN CAN'T WIN SELECTION

FRESH-faced and short of stature, Teresa McCann is certainly one of the best midfielder players in Australia.

Teresa is so often the midfield dynamo of the NSW State team, which was good enough to collect the winners' trophies in the last National Championships in Melbourne.

In the heavy going on the rain-soaked surfaces, Teresa added extra dimension to her play and finish off with a net-busting shot.

Just the type of player that National Coach Fred Robins could do with in the next Oceania Championships in Christchurch, New Zealand.

land, you might say.

The Oceania Cup will be contested from March 29th to April 12 and the strong Kiwi combination will benefit from their knowledge of local conditions.

They thrive on a diet of slushy grounds.

FORMER INTERNATIONAL

But Teresa can't go beyond representing at State level.

The reason is that she already is a Republic of Ireland International and that is enough to

disqualify her from playing for Australia.

Teresa told A.S.W. "I have represented the Republic of Ireland against Northern Ireland, Scotland and England in the UEFA Cup.

"In addition, I have played in a friendly international against Belgium in Brussels.

"It was great fun playing on grounds like Dalmount Park in Dublin, but then I decided to come to Australia."

Teresa will have been in Australia for just two years come January.

The invitation came from NSW coach, Alan Lytton, who had already coached Teresa back in Ireland.

And in the package came clever winger Rita Cheevers and the hard-working Maureen Dalton.

Like Teresa, they have also played back home for their country and therefore cannot represent another.

Teresa told us that the standard of the best play here is basically the same as back in Ireland.

NEW CLUB

She enjoyed playing for NSW State League Champions, Forest Rangers and then doubling up for the National Championship trophy.

A machinist by occupation, Teresa will be sewing things up out there on the football field as soon as next season comes around and hopes to thread many more seasons together.

But if rumours are to be believed, Teresa McCann could cotton onto a new club for the 1986 season and continue to stitch together more successes.

AN ERA ENDS

AN overwhelming spontaneous farewell was given to a most popular and well known Australian Women's Soccer administrator for the past 28 years, Mrs Irene Sneyd, at the AWSA's Annual Presentation night for the Open Division National Titles in Victoria.

This lady's popularity was demonstrated when she was called upon to receive her Life Membership award on stage.

As Mrs Sneyd moved forward to the centre at Hawthorne Reception area, all the State representatives cheered with a rousing ovation which continued with a chorus or two from the packed audience.

SWAN SONG

Showing a deep regard for this hard-working, friendly and most genuine person, each State also presented Mrs Sneyd with a very large

"Farewell Card" signed with varied messages of wisdom and feelings.

This was Irene Sneyd's swan song.

It has been said in the past that Irene was never short of a word. But when the moment came for her to respond, her words of "Goodbye and Thank You" were overcome with emotion.

Halfway through her speech, amid a tumultuous roar from all the teams present, Irene was completely overcome and choked up and had to be assisted back to her seat.

Numerous gifts were presented to her during the evening by the various State squads.

"There's a first time for everything. Who said she was never stuck for a word?" was a wise-crack yelled out.

Irene we all know how you felt that evening. "Good Night Irene" and goodbye from us all.

Mrs Sneyd became a true friend to Australian Women's Soccer and to all of us individually.

She has been a wonderful ambassador for Women's Soccer wherever she travelled overseas with the Australian team.

Be it China-Taipei, New Caledonia, Hawaii, Fiji, New Zealand, Mrs Irene Sneyd always won friends for Australia with her loud laughter and warm personality as well as handing out various badges and small gifts to overseas people.

BIG LOSS

Nothing was any trouble to her.

Irene who resides on the Central Coast of NSW, in the little township of Budgewoi, always put the good of the women's code first.

As the former long-serving Australian coach Jim Selby remarked:

"With her retirement from Australian Women's Soccer, Irene will be a big loss to our



Action from the Holroyd Ladies Association Division 1 Final. Wendy Waratahs (dark sleeves) defeated Castle Hill.



Two of the all-conquering Dundas United team.



IRENE SNEYD

APPLICATIONS FOR STATE COACHES AND MANAGERS FOR 1986

NORTHERN NSW WOMEN'S AMATEUR SOCCER FEDERATION

APPLICATIONS ARE NOW BEING INVITED FOR COACHES AND MANAGERS TO HANDLE THE FOLLOWING TEAMS FOR SEASON 1986:

- a) The All Age
- b) Under 15s
- c) Under 17s

Applications are to be submitted in writing to:

The Secretary
10 Headlam Parade,
SPRINGFIELD, NSW. 2250.

Applications close October 19th 1985

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NORTHERN NSW WOMEN'S ASF NOTICE OF AGM

The Annual General Meeting of the Northern WASF will be held at Federation House.
(opposite Adamstown Soccer Club)

Bryant Street, ADAMSTOWN, NEWCASTLE

DATE: Saturday November 2nd, 1985.

TIME: 10am.
AGENDA: 1. Election of Officers for 1986.
2. Applications for State Coaches & Managers.

For further enquiries prior to AGM please contact,

Mr Brian Nash ... 043 24 7017
(or) Mrs Irene Sneyd ... 043 90 9576

UK Scene

IT'S THE GIPSY IN HIM!

BARRY SILKMAN midfielder with Southend United, is not exactly the most settled of footballers.

Indeed, since joining his first club, QPR, Silkman has played for Fulham, Hereford, Crystal Palace, Plymouth Argyle, Luton, Manchester City, Maccabi Tel Aviv, Brentford and Orient.

Now he is with England World Cup skipper Bobby Moore, who manages Southend.

Why this latest move? Silkman explains: "I'd been at Orient for four years and that's a long time for me to be with one club."

Also, he says he has known Bobby Moore since he was 15 and he gets on well with him.

KEEGAN QUILTS UK FOR SUNNY SPAIN

KEVIN KEEGAN has locked up his vast luxury home in Hampshire to settle permanently in Spain.

Keegan has spent a lot of time in Marbella on the Costa Del Sol in recent years but he has decided to settle there permanently now.

With his wife Jean and daughters Laura and Sarah, Keegan decided he'd had enough of the English climate and that is one of his main reasons for quitting the old country.

But K.K. still retains plenty of interest in England's hopes for the World Cup in Mexico — although he is not forecasting a win for Bobby Robson's team.

"I cannot see England taking Mexico by storm. I dream of seeing skipper Bryan Robson holding the Cup aloft but it

remains a dream — I've seen nothing to suggest it will become a reality," said Keegan.

Keegan is not sure England has the forward power to win the World Cup and he's surprised Arsenal's Tony Woodcock is not in the present English side.

"I've never been a Woodcock fan," admits K.K. frankly, "but he is the best around and he should be in the side for his experience alone."

Incidentally, Keegan is interested in paying a return visit to Australia next year although his manager is talking in \$50,000 terms — and that's a lot of cash for a country where gate receipts are depressingly low.



The Keegan family bid farewell.

CURTAIN CALL FOR PAT

PAT JENNINGS made his 111th appearance as Northern Ireland's goalkeeper in the World Cup match against Turkey, but it seems doubtful that he will play many more times for his country.

Had the Irishmen won, Jennings might have been looking forward to a World Cup campaign in Mexico next year, but they could only manage a draw.

To get some idea of the amazing length of Jennings' career, two of his team-mates in Tur-

key — Colin Clarke and Steve Penney — were not even born when Jennings started his illustrious days as a full-time professional player.

Jennings played, and played well, for Watford, Spurs and Arsenal and is now in his 41st year.



PAT JENNINGS

BIG TWO AFTER A TOP SCOT

SCOTTISH international star Richard Gough is attracting attention from England's top two clubs, Manchester United and Liverpool.

Each team is ready to pay a fee of \$700,000 for Gough, who plays for Dundee United.

That's good money for a defender.

Manchester United boss Ron Atkinson has fancied Gough ever since Dundee United gave United a worrying time in last season's UEFA Cup.

Liverpool manager Kenny Dalglish sees Gough as the perfect replacement for veteran captain Phil Neal.



Phil Neal — Last season for him as Gough looks Liverpool bound.

VILLA GET HODGE

STEVE HODGE was one of Nottingham Forest's better players when the club toured Australia last year, so it's not surprising that his recent transfer to Aston Villa involved big money.

Hodge's transfer fee was \$800,000 — plus plenty more which went into the player's pocket.

DUTCH TREAT FOR HILL?

EX-ENGLAND winger, Gordon Hill, has been searching for a new club after returning from the USA but without much luck.

Tommy Docherty is acting as Hill's agent.

Now the player, nicknamed Merlin because of his magic soccer skills, is shopping around in Holland.

He has had trials with Twente Enschede.

SPONSORS WANT TV EXPOSURE

IT hasn't taken long for club sponsors to agitate for England matches to be brought back to television.

Now that archaic bans on company names on jerseys have been lifted, many sponsors keenly looked forward to seeing their company names on TV screens regularly.

Alas, the war between the clubs and TV killed any chance of this.

Already, one big sponsor, Mita, a Japanese company, has warned Aston Villa it may cancel its sponsorship contract at the end of this season.

Mita pay Villa \$250,000 over three years in the deal with Villa cannot afford to lose that sort of backing.

DOSSIER ON THE SOCCER THUGS

CROWD hooliganism is not only a British disease, which is why English FA secretary Ted Croker has started collecting press clippings from all over the world.

Croker has employed a cutting agency to supply the FA with reports of spectator troubles from all countries.

When he has enough of them, Croker is expected to send them to UEFA to prove that rioting is not exclusively a British problem.

Many people in Britain believe the bans placed on English clubs will be lifted soon but they could be in for a disappointment.

The rulers of European football are determined to make banned clubs served their sentences in full.

As they say in Wormwood Scrubs, the notorious London prison: "If you can't do the time, don't do the crime!"

Would anyone doubt that the crime was done — in the Heysel Stadium in Brussels on May 29, 1985?

THEY'RE NOT ON BIG MONEY

INTERESTING figures relating to players wages come from the Professional Footballers Association.

If you thought full-time pay in England made players rich, think again.

In the fourth division, 75 per cent earn less than \$400 a week basic pay and in the third division the figure was 50 per cent. In second division, 40 per cent were below \$400 a week and even in the wealthy first division, there were still 30 per cent of players picking up a basic \$400 or less.



Graham Taylor, secretary of PFA.

GILES HAS TOUGH TIME

WILL Johnny Giles be the first big managerial casualty of the new season?

It looks that way. West Bromwich Albion's first nine games brought eight defeats and a draw and that's the sort of record no manager could be happy about.

Not long ago, the Albion board gave Giles a warning... "improve — or else."

Giles, a great player with Manchester United and Leeds United, says he should not be judged until he has a full team on the park with injury worries cured.

But the injury bug continues to bite.

Robbie Dennison was signed from Glenavon in Ireland for a bargain \$80,000 but lasted only 25 minutes on his debut before limping to the dressing room.

IF JOHNNY GILES does not last as boss of West Brom, the next man in the hot seat could be John Wile.

Wile, now manager of Peterborough, has brought a new house and it's in Birmingham, nice and handy for the West Brom ground.

CLARKE SUPER PLAYER

BOURNEMOUTH forward Colin Clarke is the player currently being chased by every wealthy club in England.

Arsenal, Chelsea and Southampton lead the race to buy the player who scored 26 goals for Tranmere Rovers last season.

When Clarke refused a new Tranmere contract, Bournemouth nipped in to sign him for a giveaway \$40,000.

Bournemouth boss Harry Redknapp admits: "We may find it hard hanging on to Colin because he's big and strong and a natural goalscorer."

"He is only 22 but he's the best finisher I have seen since Ted MacDougall."

"We snapped him up cheaply and it could be the best transfer deal I have ever made."



COLIN CLARKE

SOCCER WORLD



THINGS ARE NOT SO DARK

AFRICAN nations are convinced the football future for the dark continent is brighter than ever.

They point to the success of Nigeria's Under 16 team, which beat West Germany 2-0 in Beijing in the World Championship recently.

Also, another African nation, Guinea, made the third place play-off against the aristocrats from Brazil.

In the World Youth Championship, Nigeria again turned in some great performances... as the Youth Soccerroos discovered to their cost in Minsk.

In the World Cup in recent years, there have been many African successes, with countries like Algeria, Morocco, Cameroon and Zaire all matching skills with Europeans and South Americans.

It has taken many years for African nations to become a power in world football but the long period of waiting could be over very soon.

NZ GETS AUSSIE REFS

NEW ZEALAND's two World Cup elimination games against Chinese Taipei will be handled by Australian referees.

Chris Bambridge will look after one with Donald Campbell getting the other.

Campbell and Bambridge are quality refs who have excellent credentials to become well-known overseas — perhaps even making the World Cup Finals list, as did Tony Boskovic.

By the way, an Italian, Agnolin, will referee in Tel Aviv when Israel plays Australia on October 8. We wish him luck because this could be the toughest match in the whole Oceania group.

PLATT IN EUROPE AT LAST

EUROPEAN competitions appeared to have passed by Jim Platt, the Northern Ireland international goalkeeper.

Platt had 13 years with Middlesbrough, a team which never looked like qualifying for any of the cups in Europe.

With Ballymena United, Platt hoped to be playing in the European Cup Winners Cup last season — but he moved on to Coleraine and missed his chance.

This season, it has all come right for the big goalkeeper. He was in Coleraine's team against Locomotiv Leipzig in this month's UEFA Cup match — the match ending in a 1-1 draw.

MONEY does not guarantee success in World Cup football, as Kuwait and Saudi Arabia discovered.

Both Arab countries have been eliminated from the Finals in Mexico, and the fact that they are two of the world's wealthiest nations, counted for nothing.

VALDIVIA HAD ENOUGH!

VALDIVIA, the Chilean club, have sent their centre-forward Castillo to a psychiatric hospital.

That's an unusual step, but understandable after what happened in one important match.

Castillo, playing against Curico Unido, was racing towards the opposition goal with the ball at his feet when he suddenly pulled up. He picked up the ball, placed it in the centre circle and said: "God is calling me and I am going!"

Then Castillo walked off the pitch, leaving his team-mates stunned!

PLAYBOY ALEX KICKED OUT

ANDERLECHT don't like to sell good players but they had no hesitation in transferring the popular goalscorer Alex Czerniatinski to rivals Standard Liege for a fee of \$500,000.

Not that Anderlecht needed the money. They just couldn't accept Czerniatinski's life style... living in the fast lane!

He scored 21 goals for Anderlecht last season and would have probably been the country's top scorer had he not fallen out of favour with coach Paul Van Himst.

Van Himst axed Alex from the final four games because he regarded him as a playboy, too keen on booze and birds!

To get back in supporters' good books, Van Himst immediately found a replacement.

He signed Juan Lozano from Real Madrid. Lozano was sold by Anderlecht to Real two years ago — so it was a welcome return home for him.



Juan Lozano — from Anderlecht to Real Madrid and back!

TELE GOES BACK TO THE ARABS

TELE SANTANA, Brazil's World Cup coach, has returned to his job in Saudi Arabia — probably because he can make much more money there than in his own country.

Santana, however, is not giving up his national team job in Brazil.

He will return in good time to mastermind Brazil's challenge for the 1986 World Cup.

The Brazilian Football Federation was hoping Tele would remain at home until the World Cup but it is clear that plan failed.

Another top Brazilian coach, Edu, looks

like taking over as national coach in another Arab country, Iraq.

Edu, it will be remembered, was a recent visitor to Australia as coach of Vasco da Gama.

If he does not go to Iraq, Edu is likely to become Flamengo boss, where he can keep an eye on his brilliant brother, Zico.



Zico will be managed by big brother — Edu.

SPORTING'S GOALKEEPER DISCOVERY

TOP target for Spanish club scouts is Sporting Gijon's goalkeeper Juan Carlos Ablanedo.

He's only 21 but already he's being hailed as Spain's outstanding goalkeeper.

Last season, his first in the first team, Ablanedo played in 33 of the club's 34 games, conceding only 22 goals — a great effort from a rookie.

AT 32, Vincenzo Guerini of newly-promoted Pisa, is the youngest coach in the Italian first division.

And who is the oldest? Nils Liedholm of A.C. Milan. The former Swedish World Cup star, who helped take his country to the World Cup Final in Stockholm in 1958, was 63 on his last birthday and is still rated one of Europe's outstanding coaching brains.

In 16 of those matches, he kept a clean sheet and had a big part in Sporting's qualification for the UEFA Cup.

Sporting Gijon, of course, is the club where Australia's Youth Soccer captain Andrew Bernal is now playing.

ALL-OUT ATTACK FROM HEYNECKES

AT a time when coaches all over the world are frantically devising more and more defensive methods, it's like a breath of fresh air to see what is happening with Borussia Mönchengladbach under coach Jupp Heynckes.

Heynckes has thrilled the club's supporters by pledging his team will "destroy defensive football."

And it's not just talk either.

Heynckes arranged 10 pre-season matches against inferior opposition and instructed his players to "throw caution to the winds."

The team won all 10 games and scored 111 goals!

Of course, it has not been quite that easy since the kick-off in the Bundesliga.

RUMMENIGGE — SCHUSTER IN BITTER BATTLE

TWO of West Germany's most famous players are involved in a public slanging match which is doing nothing to help Germany's World Cup ambitions.

The players are Karl Heinz Rummenigge who plays for Inter Milan and Berndt Schuster of Barcelona.

Schuster, who has refused to play for his country while Franz Beckenbauer is coach, sums up Rummenigge's ability with the comment:

"Whenever there are problems in the German camp, he is in the middle of them. He is finished!"

"He has not forgiven me for stealing his limelight in the 1980 European Championship in Italy. Rummenigge is 30 now and must be going downhill."

"If Bayern sold him,

they must have had a reason."

That's pretty fierce stuff aimed at a player who is regarded as almost a football god in Germany.

But Karl Heinz is not slow in hitting back.

He said: "Schuster's brain is the size of a mosquito's. He is simply stupid. I never rated him as person and, at Barcelona, it took him five years to win a championship."

"At the moment, Schuster is contributing nothing to his country's attempt to qualify for the World Cup."



Bernd Schuster, pointing the finger at fellow West German, Karl-Heinz Rummenigge.